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India's Only Way Out Of Dollar 'Impasse'

New Dominions Must Reduce Their Hard Currency Imports And Boost Their Exports To Utmost

BRITAIN'S PLAN TO SECURE FOOD SUPPLIES FROM CANADA AND ARGENTINA

LONDON, August 21. (Reuter): India and Pakistan today rank level with any other dominion or with Britain herself in their calls on British goods or on such dollars as Britain has, it was stated authoritatively in London today, cables Sydney Gampell, Reuter financial editor.

Every Sterling area country, including Britain herself, is entitled to them for absolutely essential purposes, but for no others.

India and Pakistan with the other Dominions remain their own judges of their hard currency requirements, but Britain is convinced that they will all strike to reduce to a minimum not merely their dollar imports but also their imports from Britain which Britain could otherwise sell for dollars.

The momentous action on Sterling announced last night means a determination to use Britain's ultimate reserves of gold and dollars and her bargaining power to defend sterling and provide, so far as possible, the minimum essential imports of the Sterling area including Britain, instead of throwing the last reserves into an unbridgeable dollar gap.

INDIA MUST BOOST HER EXPORTS

If India and Pakistan reduce their hard currency imports programmes and boost their exports to the utmost, Britain must and will provide dollars to the Indian Reserve Bank (which still serves both the Dominions) and cover India's trade deficit with both the Dollar and Sterling area, up to the full limit of the releases from India's Sterling Balance laid down in the recent agreement.

By contrast, none of Egypt's released sterling is now automatically convertible into dollars, because Egypt left the Sterling Area of her own accord.

Everything depends on the course of world crises. What has been running India as well as Britain is the exhorbitant price of food from the western hemisphere.

Britain's most urgent task is to find a new trading basis with Canada and Argentina, on whom both Britain and India depend for vital food imports.

It was authoritatively added that Sterling starts its new life to-day in a technically strong position, which can only be eased over a period as Britain pays out sterling for her imports. Other countries have oversold sterling in the recent rush to New York, and will not have to buy it. They have been bidding for sterling in New York since Tuesday.

Another source of strength is that the 3,500,000,000 sterling of wartime sterling balances which have menaced Sterling's position have now been set aside in ways which will keep them off the international exchanges.

The recent run on sterling has cor-

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INDONESIANS ASKED TO FIGHT ON

BATAVIA, Aug. 21 (Reuter): The Indonesian Republican Prime Minister Dr. Amir Sjarifuddin tonight urged the Indonesians to continue their struggle against the Dutch, in a radio broadcast in reply to the radio speech last night by Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, Lt.-Governor-General of the Dutch East Indies.

Dr. Sjarifuddin estimated Dutch advances since the "cease fire" order of August 4 as 88 miles in West Java, about 44 miles in Central Java, 94 miles in East Java and 30 miles in Sumatra.

According to a Republican broadcast tonight on the present situation Republican positions west of Modjokerto had been attacked by Dutch troops from two directions. Other clashes in West and Central Java were also reported.

EVACUATION OF SALIM SHAH

A delegation of the International Red Cross today broadcast instructions for the evacuation of the Government of India's Food Department transport officer, Mr. Salim Shah, from Jogjakarta.

Mr. Salim Shah was one of the several Indian officials organising the loading of rice cargoes for India under the Republic's 700,000-ton rice offer.

The broadcast said that he was to get the consent to come to Batavia on Red Cross plane from Singapore bringing medical supplies for sick and wounded Republicans. Two other Indian transport officers were evacuated by the advancing Dutch forces.

BRITAIN HAS BROKEN HER WORD TO 25 COUNTRIES

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter): "The Times" to-day commenting on the Treasury announcement of the suspension of the convertibility of sterling said: "This is a world crisis".

Lord Beaverbrook's "Daily Express" welcomed the "freedom from the Dollar Yoke."

In a more subdued tone the "Manchester Guardian" said.

"At one stroke, Britain has broken her word to 25 countries".

H. E. Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Ag. Governor of U.P. addressing the gathering after hoisting the India's new flag on Government House, Lucknow, on Independence Day.

20 Punjabi Soldiers And 9 Pathans Arrested

Sequel To Stabbing Affray At Nasik: Riots Break Out At Quetta

NASIK, AUGUST 21 (API): TWENTY PUNJABI SOLDIERS, TILL NOW STATIONED AT DEOLALI AND AWAITING TRANSFER TO PAKISTAN, WERE ARRESTED LAST NIGHT FOLLOWING AN INCIDENT WHICH CAUSED A COMMOTION IN NASIK CITY ON MONDAY LAST.

The arrested men, it is alleged, moved about the city in an army truck shouting anti-India and anti-Nehru slogans, in defiance of the District Magistrate's ban on slogans. When they were stopped by a crowd, one of them is alleged to have stabbed a person and they drove the vehicle full speed and disappeared.

Investigation into the incident personally by the District Magistrate led to the arrest of the men. They are placed in civil custody pending enquiries.

NINE PATHANS ARRESTED

A Pathan driver and nine other Pathans were also arrested at Yeola, about 75 miles from here, for an alleged assault on a motor cyclist in Nasik City on Monday last. These arrests are not connected with the incident in which the army men were involved.

RIOTING IN QUETTA

KARACHI, August 21 (UPI): Serious rioting broke out in Quetta in the Baluchistan-Pakistan area since yesterday. Members of the majority community were reported to have attacked shops and houses of the minority community killing a number of them. Many shops were burnt on the Bruce Road.

Details are not yet available.

DELHI'S PEACE EFFORT FOR EAST PUNJAB

NEW DELHI, August 21 (API): An emergent meeting of the Cabinet considered the Punjab situation to-day. This was followed by a meeting of the Defence Council.

The Government of India are maintaining constant touch with the Government of Eastern Punjab and every step is being taken to put an end to lawlessness and disorder in the Province and to help the refugees.

The defence minister, Sardar Baldev Singh, is proceeding to Jullunder and Amritsar, accompanied by Brigadier Thimayya, who will be attached to the staff of the Commander of the Punjab Boundary Force, Major-General Rees.

DELHI-JULLUNDUR-AMRITSAR AIR-SERVICE

It has been arranged to have a regular air service between Delhi, Jullundur and Amritsar. To begin with, this service will be run three times a week.

Additional troops have now arrived in the disturbed areas. Popular leaders, including Master Tara Singh and Giani Kartar Singh, are touring in the rural areas to bring about peace.

The Governor of East Punjab, Sir Chandulal Trivedi, has made Jullundur his headquarters and he intends paying daily visits to surrounding areas. The ministers of the East Punjab Government are also constantly visiting the disturbed areas.

TRANSFER OF REFUGEES

Arrangements for the transfer of refugees from Lahore to Amritsar and Amritsar to Lahore are functioning satisfactorily and about 5,000 persons are transported each way daily.

BRITAIN TO RESUME TALKS WITH EGYPT

LONDON, August 21, (Reuter): Britain today reaffirmed her willingness to resume direct negotiations with Egypt for her revision of the 1936 Treaty.

U. S. PROTEST TO RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21, (APA): A new United States protest to Russia against the continued Soviet occupation of the Chinese port of Dairen was disclosed by the State Department today.

ACCEPT RADCLIFFE AWARD

Mahatma's Plea To Parties And Public To Abide By It

CALCUTTA, August 21, (API): Mahatma Gandhi referring to the award of the umpire of the Boundary Commission said: "The parties and the public they represented are loyally to abide by the award".

He observed this in course of his post-prayer speech here this evening, and added: "The umpire was chosen by all the parties to the dispute and it would be unjust and unworthy to impute motives to the umpire."

No award that Mahatma Gandhi knew, and he had to do with many arbitrations, completely satisfied the parties. He stressed that having made the choice they were bound to carry out the terms of the award.

Mahatma Gandhi thought that the best way was for the parties to adjust the differences themselves and said that this royal road was open to them any time as Khwaja Nazimuddin, and Dr. P. C. Ghosh, the Premiers of East and West Bengal, had wisely pointed out.

'GUARD OF HONOUR' BY MUSLIM NATIONAL GUARD

Mahatma Gandhi held the prayer meeting this evening in Park Circus Maidan. The Joint Peace Committee of Hindus and Muslims of Beniapukur and Park Circus had requested him to hold his evening prayers there.

Several thousands of men and women, mostly Muslims, joined the prayer meeting this evening. On arriving at the prayer ground Mahatma Gandhi was given a "Guard Of Honour" by volunteers of the Muslim National Guard, who played a 'march past' also.

On the maidan two flags of Pakistan and the Indian Union were flying together.

Mahatma was garlanded by the Muslims of the locality.

Earlier in the day Mahatma Gandhi attended a meeting organised by Hindu and Muslim ladies at the University Institute which was decorated with a large number of Tricolour Flags.

'M. G.' SAYS SARDAR PATEL SHOULD MEDIATE

MANCHESTER, Aug. 21, (Reuter): Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Minister for Home Affairs in the Dominion of India, should mediate between the Sikhs and Mr Mohammed Ali Jinnah, the Governor-General of Pakistan, today's "Manchester Guardian" suggested in an editorial.

MADRAS GOVT.'S GESTURE TO REDS

MADRAS, Aug. 21, (API): As a gesture of goodwill towards the Communists in connexion with the Independence Day celebrations, the Government of Madras besides releasing all Communists detenus have withdrawn four principal conspiracy cases involving nearly 400 Communists. These cases include the Madura Conspiracy Case and the Golden Rock Rioting Case arising out of the South Indian Railway Strike in September last.

The Government have also stayed proceedings in courts in several cases against Communists pending orders for the final withdrawal of those cases.

THREE ORDNANCE DEPOT EMPLOYEES ARRESTED

Sequel To Seizure Of Stengun And Ammunition In Jubbulpore

JUBBULPORE, August 21 (API):—Three employees of the Central Ordnance Depot including one supervisor were arrested here to-day following seizure of one fully charged sten-gun and large quantity of ammunition from the locality in the city. The police received further information that eight hand grenades and about 5,000 cartridges were missing from Central Ordnance Depot.

It is also reported that the police seized several unauthorised firearms and ammunition from a house in a village Katkuhi about 28 miles from Jubbulpore and arrested two persons.

VIVIAN BOSE ELECTED

JAMBOREE CITY, MOISSON, FRANCE, Aug. 21, (APA): Justice Vivian Bose of India has been elected a member of the International Scout Office. At its first meeting, the I. S. O. re-elected Colonel John Wilson of London as Director.

Mysore Congress Call For 'Satyagraha

Working Committee Fixes Deadline Of Sept. 1 For Responsible Govt.

BANGALORE, August 21 (A.P.I.): The Working Committee of the Mysore State Congress today passed a resolution calling upon the people of the State to start Satyagraha on September 1 for the establishment of responsible government in the State.

IN CONFORMITY WITH NON-VIOLENCE

The Committee declared that the Satyagraha would be in strict conformity with non-violence and that all forms of Satyagraha undertaken in the course of freedom struggle in British India may be resorted to.

The struggle would continue till the demands of the Congress were met and only original members of the Congress Working Committee were empowered to call off the Satyagraha.

The constitution of the State Congress will be suspended and the Congress President will be the first dictator from September 1—the date on which Satyagraha begins.

NEW DEWAN OF TRAVANCORE

TRIVANDRUM, Aug. 21 (API): His Highness the Maharajh of Travancore has appointed Rajyasevapravina P. G. Narayanan Unnithan, to officiate as Dewan of Travancore.

Mr. Narayanan Unnithan assumed charge of his office on August 20.

THREE MORE STATES JOIN INDIAN UNION

NAGPUR, Aug. 21 (UPI): Bastar, Patana and Nandgaon States of the Eastern States' Union have acceded to the Indian Union.

BHOPAL JOINS INDIAN UNION

BOMBAY, Aug. 21 (API): The Nawab of Bhopal, who is now in Delhi, is reported to have signed the Instrument of Accession and the Standstill Agreement.

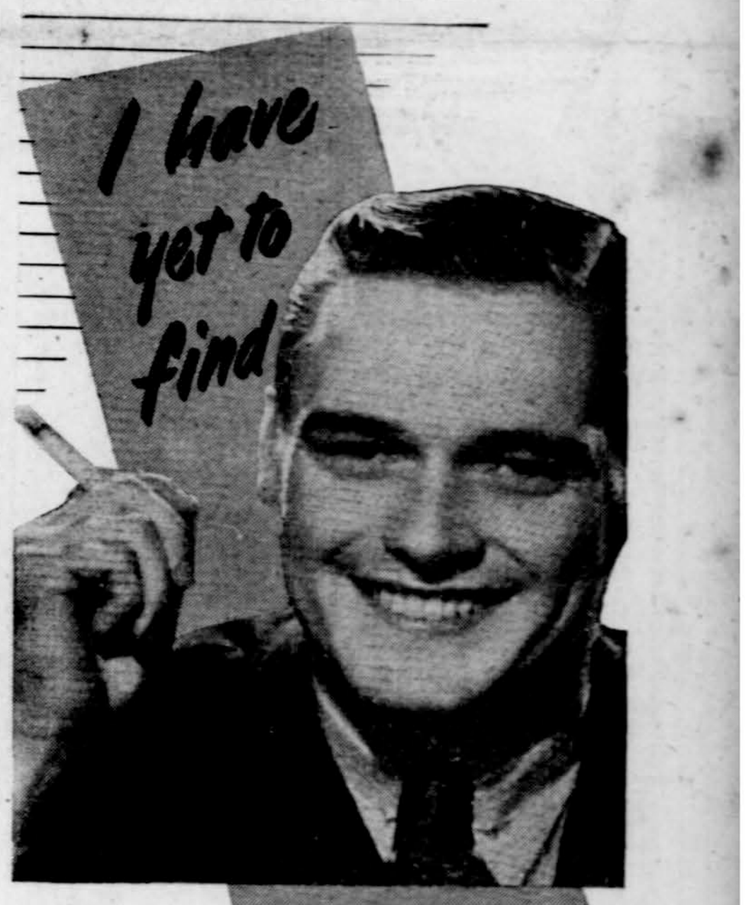
STOP PRESS

FIVE COUNTRIES BARRED FROM U. N. O.

LAKE SUCCESS, August 21, (U.P. A.): The United Nations Security Council barred Austria, Italy, Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria from United Nations membership in a turbulent meeting marked by two more Soviet vetos.

JAP TREATY CONFERENCE POSTPONED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21, (Reuter): U. S. official sources reported today that the proposed eleven-nation Japanese Peace Treaty Conference was now unlikely to be held until after this year's General Assembly meeting in New York at the earliest. The new delay means that the conference will now probably not meet until October or November.



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NEW YORK, August 21.

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Today's Opening	32.30
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Difference	+2

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.
NEW YORK, August 21.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

Anaconda Copper Mining $36-3/8.
General Motors $59.
United States Steel Common $71-3/8
Preference unquoted.

LAST QUOTATIONS.
BOMBAY, August 21

	Rs.	as
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Silver Shravan	172	10
Gold Forward	111	12
Silver Tukda 2nd Shravan.	172	6
Sovereign	74	0

TRADING IN HEDGE AND DELIVERY CONTRACTS

Govt. Of India Gives Permission For 1947-'48 For Bombay Market Of E. I. C. A.

BOMBAY, Thursday: The Government of India have today given their consent for trading in hedge and delivery contracts of the 1947-48 season's cotton crop in the Bombay market of the East India Cotton Association subject to that Association obtaining the assent of the Government of Bombay and also subject to the existing floor and ceiling prices and other terms and conditions, states a Press Note issued by the Textile Commissioner.

INSURANCE IN DIVIDED INDIA

LIFE OFFICES ASSOCIATION TO APPROACH INDIA & PAKISTAN GOVTS. TO ENSURE "STATUS QUO"

Speech Of Bombay Mutual's Chairman Of Board Of Directors

Presiding over the 77th annual general meeting of the Bombay Mutual Life Assurance Society, Ltd., the other day, Mr. U. S. Desai, Chairman of the Board of Directors, said:—

Gentlemen,

This is the 77th annual general meeting of the Society. It has, however, an importance which is quite unique. On the 15th of this month, our country became free We are no longer under any foreign domination and are free to shape our own destiny in a way which best suits the genius of the people. I am proud that I have the privilege of presiding over the first general meeting in a free India. On behalf of the Society I offer our felicitations to those who have successfully carried on the struggle for the independence of the country and pay our homage to all who sacrificed their lives for the cause.

Bonus To Employees

The 15th of August was celebrated by us like others as Freedom Day and the Directors paid to the employees in the service of the Society on that day a Freedom Bonus equal to half a month's salary. This Freedom bonus was in addition to the bonus equal to two months' salary paid to the employees' earlier in the year.

The change in the political position of the country marks the advent of Government by the accredited representatives of the people. The new Governments are bound to be responsive to the wishes of the people and alive to their needs and will tackle the problems facing the country with energy, sympathy and efficiency Life Insurance Companies have their own problems. Life Offices and the Associations of Insurance Companies have from time to time been making representations to the Government to give them relief in certain matters so that the Life Offices may be better equipped to render service to the people. I hope that, with the new set up, our representations will receive more sympathetic and favourable consideration than they received under a Government that was not representative of the people.

Division Of The Country

The division of the country into two parts will create problems for life offices. I understand that the Indian Life Offices Association is considering these problems in all their aspects and will make necessary representations to the Governments of India and of Pakistan.

I hope both the Governments will come to some mutual and reciprocal arrangements by which the services that are being rendered by the life offices will continue to be rendered as efficiently and effectively as before.

Now I come to the Report for the year 1946.

New Business

The new business of the Society in the year 1946 was Rs. 6 12 crores as against Rs. 6 14 crores in the preceding year. The credit for this increase goes to the chief agents of the Society and other field workers.

The average amount of assurance under a policy in the year 1946 was Rs. 2072 being 77 points higher than that of the previous year. The premium per Rs. 1 000 sum assured in 1946 was Rs. 55.74 excluding single premium policies. The amount of premium per Rs. 1,000 has been constantly increasing from 1942; in that year it stood at Rs. 52.25 and increased to Rs. 54.70 in 1943, to Rs. 55.17 in 1944 and to Rs. 55.91 in 1945 and last year it was Rs. 55.74. It is therefore clear that the tendency to take shorter term policies still continues.

The position regarding new business appears to have slightly changed. The conditions created by the last war contributed to considerable increase in the new business of life insurance companies. It was expected that when the tendency towards a reversal to pre-war conditions started, there would be a drop in the business. We notice that the new business from 1st May onwards has been showing a drop. It is difficult to say whether the expected tendency towards a set-back has started or not. In the insurance circles the feeling appears to be that of depression.

Income And Expenses

The premium income during the year including consideration for annuities amounted to Rs. 1,53,53,597-9-9 as against Rs. 1,32,53,204-6-9 in the previous year and the total expenses amounted to Rs. 43,81,244-0-6 as against Rs. 40,34,987-0-6 in the previous year.

The expense ratio as shown in the Directors' Report is not exactly as it would work out according to rule 25(b) of the Insurance Rules, 1939. It is due to the fact that the said rule has been recently changed. According to the changed rule, our expense ratio for the year 1946 would be 11.95 and not 11.72 as shown in the Directors' Report.

For comparing the expense ratio for the year 1946 with the ratio for the previous year, it is necessary to proceed on the basis of the expense ratio as shown in the Directors' Report because that ratio has been calculated in accordance with the rule as it stood before the last change. The expense ratio of the Society has been dropping from year to year. In 1941 it was 13.93%, it came down to 13.52% in 1942, to 12.88% in 1943, to 11.68% in 1944, to 11.63% in 1945. This continuous drop in the expense ratio has been arrested. Last year the expense ratio was higher than that of the previous year by 0.09%. The Society had to spend a large amount as additional expense for increasing the salaries of the employees. If this additional expense had not been incurred our expense ratio would have gone down.

Claims

Claims by death inclusive of bonus additions amounted to Rs 17,35,758-7-0 as against Rs. 14,72,373-10-0 in 1945. The increase of claims by death by Rs. 2,63,384-13-0 is not indicative of any adverse mortality experience. Our Actuary investigated the mortality experience of the Society for the year 1946. According to his Report, the mortality experience for the year 1946 was only 78% of the mortality expected according to Oriental (25-35) Mortality table. This is an improvement on the mortality experience of the Society in the last quinquennium Valuation 1942-46 by 3%.

Investments

The total investments at their book values in Government securities are Rs. 3,00,07,515-8-2 as against Rs. 2,44,30,778-0-9 in 1945, in approved securities Rs. 85,67,477-14-0 as against Rs. 79,29,614-5-5 in 1945, in other Stock Exchange securities Rs. 1,32,44,376-1-6 as against Rs. 1,00,91,152-4-10 in 1945 and in real estate Rs. 53,79,707-13-2 as against Rs. 52,97,573-9-5 in 1945.

The interest yield on the Life Fund for the year calculated according to Regulation 3(1) of Schedule IV. Schedule to the Insurance Act comes to 3.22 as against 3.61 in the previous year. The net rate of interest earned which in the year 1942 stood at 4.19% has come down to 3.22 in 1946. This is due to the artificial control that is being exercised by the Government on the interest of Government securities, the provision of law which necessitates investment of 55% of the liabilities to the policyholders in Government and approved securities, the redemption and conversion of 3½% non-terminable loan and the high rate of income tax applicable to life offices.

In my speech delivered at the last Annual General Meeting, I pointed out the difficulties which life offices were being put to due to the continuous fall in the net interest earned by them and had made an appeal to the Government to give sympathetic consideration to the difficulties of life offices. No relief has been given so far. The rate of income tax still stands at 60 pies in the rupee. On the contrary, another difficulty has been added to the existing ones. Section 12B which was incorporated in the Indian Income Tax Act in the last budget session has made life offices liable to tax on their gains. Life offices are carrying on business which is quite different from the business carried on by individuals or other manufacturing and trading concerns. Recognising this fact, the Government fixed ceilings for the income tax chargeable from Indian Life Offices. These offices are assessed to tax by special rules which are prescribed in the schedule appended to the Act. The provision of 12B being made applicable to life office is contrary to the provisions of the rules prescribed in the schedule. I do not believe that there was any intention to bring in life offices within the scope of this section. It appears that the complication caused was not anticipated and a consequential amendment was by an oversight not adopted. I appeal to the Government to move in the matter now and give the necessary relief to the Life offices.

Donation For Famine Relief

You must have noticed in the Revenue Account that the Board has donated on behalf of the Society Rs. 500 to the Central Famine Relief Committee, Bombay. You must have already read with distress the reports that had appeared in the press about the scarcity conditions which prevailed in Maharastra and Karnatak, and therefore, I need not narrate here the circumstances under which the Directors made the donation. Considering the object of the donation. I trust you will approve the step taken by the Directors and confirm the payment.

In conclusion I take this opportunity of thanking sincerely all our Chief Agents, Agents and other field workers for the labour put in by them in the course of the year and record our appreciation of the services rendered by the Manager, Officers and Staff of the Society.

Gentlemen, now I beg to move that the Directors' Report and Audited Revenue Account and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December 1946, be approved and adopted.

WOMEN SHOULD RISE ABOVE COMMUNITY

'Fraternise With Muslim Sisters' Says Gandhiji

CALCUTTA, Aug. 21, (A. P. I.): Mahatma Gandhi addressed this afternoon a large gathering of women at the Calcutta University Institute Hall.

Mahatma Gandhi told the audience to devote their time and energy to social reconstruction, specially the removal of untouchability. Men could bring about social changes from without. But it was the responsibility of women to maintain those changes in the family. If they could not remove untouchability from their society Hinduism could not last very long They must, therefore, make a determined effort in this regard

Mahatma Gandhi also asked the audience to fraternise with their Muslim sisters. If they thought that any one was superior or inferior because he belonged to a particular community, they were mistaken. They should bear in mind that they were Indians first and then Hindus or Muslims. They should rise above community.

Earlier, Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, who also addressed the meeting, appealed to the women of Bengal to make the peace mission started jointly by Congress and Muslim League leaders successful so that there might be lasting peace in the Province. The hall was packed to capacity and all approaches to the Institute were crowded with women and children. A large crowd also waited outside to listen to Mahatma Gandhi through loud-speakers.

Aga Khan's Message To Nehru

NEW DELHI, August 21, (A. P. I.): H. H. the Aga Khan in a message to Pt. Nehru on the occasion of Independence of India says:—

"On this glorious occasion when India becomes one of world's greatest nations permit me heartily to join you in rejoicing. Thank God I have lived to see such a day. Hope that eventually oppressed victims of Imperialism in other countries will, thanks to joint effort of India and Pakistan, be brought to freedom and happiness".

100 Dead In Ceylon Floods

COLOMBO, August 21, (Reuter): Incomplete reports of the deathroll in Ceylon's worst floods within living memory today gave the number of victims as 128, over 100 of whom died in the worst affected Central Province.

In one area of this province alone 3,000 houses were washed away and 10,000 persons rendered homeless, it was reported.

The authorities feared that the final figures would be far higher.

EAST PUNJAB TO HAVE ITS OWN UNIVERSITY

SIMLA, August 20, (A. P. I.): The East Punjab Government will shortly issue an ordinance to set up a University of its own.

Till some suitable permanent place is found, the University will be located temporarily in a convenient provincial town.

A Government spokesman said that the University will hold its examinations in March next, arrangements are being made to receive applications from intending candidates in October.

S. S. "ISLAMI" TO SAIL FOR HEJAZ ON SUNDAY

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A programme for the sailing of pilgrim ships from the ports of Karachi, Bombay and Calcutta to the Hejaz for the post-Ramzan sailings this year has been drawn up by the Government of India. S. S. Islami, which has been allotted to the pilgrims of this Province will leave Bombay on August 24.

RAINS TO CONTINUE IN CITY TO-DAY

BOMBAY Thursday.

Bombay city experienced heavy and almost unceasing rains on today. The Colaba Observatory recorded 0.36 inch of rain between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The total rainfall since June 1 is 36.5 inches, which is 16.8 inches below normal.

According to weather forecasters, intermittent rains will continue on Friday. The amount of rainfall is expected to be less than on Thursday.

RISE IN PRICE OF SOFT COKE.

NEW DELHI, August 21, (A. P. I.): The price of soft coke produced in the Bengal-Bihar coalfields has been increased by Rs. 5/11 per ton, according to a "Gazette of India" Extraordinary published on August 22. This increase, which takes effect from August 22 has been necessitated, it is understood, by the increase of Rs. 3/8 per ton in the prices of Bengal-Bihar coals sanctioned by the Government of India with effect from July 9, 1947.

640 Miles Per Hour

WASHINGTON, August 21, (Reuter): The United States Navy Department announced that the Naval jet plane D-558 "Skystreak" today established a new world speed record of 640.7 miles per hour in California.

The new record, which was set up by Commander Turner F. Caldwell, has been certified by the United States National Aeronautical Association but remains unofficial until approved by the Federation Aeronautique Internationale in Paris.

I F A. SHIELD TOURNAMENT

CALCUTTA, August 21 (A.P.I.): In view of the improved condition in Calcutta, the Indian Football Association has decided to hold the I.F.A. Shield Tournament this year. It will commence from the middle of September while junior tournaments will start earlier

Following an invitation from the All-India Football Federation to stage the All-India Inter-Provincial Football Championship for the Santosh Trophy in Calcutta this year, it has been decided to stage the championship in October.

AUSTRALIA'S "SHANNON" FETCHES DOL. 88,400

SYDNEY, August 21, (UPA): Australia's champion racehorse, Shannon was sold at auction for dol. 88,400 to R. J. Smith, prominent Australian businessman, who probably will take the thoroughbred to America.

"Nurseries Of Leadership"

Colville On Role Of Universities In Independent India

BOMBAY, Thursday.

"This is a historic convocation, the first after the dawn of independence. Every citizen, every institution, must prepare itself for the new responsibilities that independence implies. The universities in particular have special new responsibilities, because the greatest requirement of an independent country with a democratic regime, is that of leaders and the universities are, or may become the nurseries of leadership. They have, therefore, to consider their functions and their ideals in the light of these new responsibilities." Thus observed Sir John Colville, the Governor of Bombay and the Chancellor of Bombay University in the course of his Convocation Address to the University at the Convocation Hall this evening Justice M. C. Chagla, Vice-Chancellor of the University presided.

The Governor conferred degrees on 3,566 successful candidates of whom 779 were present, while the rest took their degrees in absentia.

FUNCTIONS OF MODERN UNIVERSITY

The Governor further gave his impressions of a true modern University He said: "A true University for modern times must produce an atmosphere of harmonious culture, in which the arts and the sciences, theory and practice, specialization and a liberal outlook, are well-balanced."

"More in detail, the functions of a University may be said to be: in the first place vocational, enabling the individual citizen to earn his living and to make his contribution towards raising the standard of living of the people; secondly, the development of all the faculties of the individual, physical, intellectual and moral, so as to enable him to conceive the good life and to live it. Modern specialization, necessary though it may be, must be balanced, so that the individual may rise to his full stature, in body, mind and spirit; thirdly, the citizen must be trained for the duties of democracy by inculcating in him a sense of responsibility, discipline, brotherhood, so that he may be a good citizen of his country and also a citizen of the world. History, civics, economics, are important subjects in this regard, but most important is the corporate life of the University.

EDUCATION MUST BE NATIONAL

This training for democracy and the responsibilities of independence, continued the Governor, is the particular need of the country to-day, and the Universities must adopt themselves to the new conditions. Already in the past few years this has been realised. Education has become increasingly national, seeking its roots in the traditions of the country, with the regional languages as the medium. This has led to the demand for and creation of Regional Universities. This is all to the good, one of the incidental advantages being that it will relieve the pressure of numbers from the existing Universities and thus remove the evils of mass education. But care must be taken that it does not encourage fissiparous tendencies that are a danger to the country. Education may be regional but University education in particular must also be national and universal.

UNIQUE ROLE OF BOMBAY UNIVERSITY

The Chancellor further pointed out that the University of Bombay was specially qualified for the mission of promoting higher education of universal value. A Bombay degree, said he, must be recognised as of true worth wherever the value of higher education is known. Our University is surrounded by the cosmopolitan environment of this great city of Bombay, in which all creeds and communities can live in harmony, working for the individual and the common good in a spirit of brotherhood. This city has given the country the lead in the development of the civic spirit. It is a great industrial and commercial centre, and yet with its libraries, museums and cultural associations, it does not neglect the higher interests of the mind and the spirit. Its magnificent harbour welcomes the enterprise of all countries and sends out to the world in men and material the message of the Indian spirit.

"Our University therefore, is in an ideal position to be a clearing house, a co-ordinator of culture, regional, national and universal, and thus to contribute towards the reconciliation of Eastern and Western thought and the peace of the world."

Striking a personal note at the end of his address, the Governor said: "To-day my happiness is complete and my ambition fulfilled in that not only has fully responsible government come to this Province but by the invitation of the leaders of the Free Dominion of India I am remaining here for a short period as Governor in the fully constitutional sense. Until the end of the year, therefore, it will be the privilege of Lady Colville and myself to be with you in the first days of your freedom and to serve the public in happy and cordial as well as constitutional relationship with the Ministers of an elected Government. It was once my privilege in former years to be a member of a British Cabinet and I have the greatest respect for that Constitution where as the saying is "The King can do no wrong" because all his acts are on the advice of his people through their chosen representatives. I am happy to think that this may be the model chosen by this country. To-day the transfer of power is complete and India has freedom to govern to frame her future constitution and to determine her relationship with all countries."

TRIBUTE TO LATE SIR BOMANJI WADIA

The Governor at the outset referred to the sad demise of Sir Bomanji Wadia, the former Vice-Chancellor of the University. Two minutes' silence was observed the whole House standing.

The Governor also accorded a hearty welcome to the new Vice-Chancellor, Mr. Justice Chagla.

EDUCATION FOR ALL

Referring to education in general, the Governor said education to as high a degree as possible was to be made available to all sections of the population whether in towns or villages. In this province as in the rest of India a large leeway had to be made up inasmuch as even elementary primary education was not available to every child.

Referring to the language difficulty, the Governor said:—

"The language question is one which gives rise to much thought and consideration. It is inevitable in a democratic country that the languages of the Province should gain in importance and stature and should be the medium of the increasingly larger field of activity, including education."

"Physical education", said he, "is also rightly assuming great importance. Government has already accepted a number of recommendations of the Physical Education Committee which submitted its report in the latter half of last year. Whether as a source of recruitment to India's own Armed Forces or from the general point of view of the development of the personality of the people physical education assumes great importance."

Krishna Menon's Assurance To Indian Journalists

LONDON, August 20, (U.P.I.): Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, the new High Commissioner for India in London, met the Executive Committee of the Indian Journalists' Association informally at the India House yesterday

He assured them that the Indian journalists in London would receive all assistance and guidance that lay within the scope of his office. He would be prepared to hold at regular intervals press conferences as soon as he would settle down in his new responsibilities.

The Public Relations Officer, Mr. Sudhir Chandra Ghosh, who attended the meeting, agreed to make available to journalists certain types of the India House information as promptly as possible.

The Indian Journalists' Association is organising a tea party in honour of the High Commissioners of India and Pakistan on September 5.

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Bombay Govt. Gesture To Press

BOMBAY, Thursday

In pursuance of the decision to extend a gesture of goodwill towards the Press in the Province on the occasion of the Independence Day Celebrations, the Government of Bombay has, so far, returned forfeited securities to 11 printing presses, and 12 newspapers. Restraint orders served on four newspapers, prohibiting them from publishing any matter directly or indirectly bearing on the communal situation in the country, have also been cancelled.

NIZAM RECRUITING PATHAN EX-SERVICEMEN

P. C. Joshi's Appeal To Nehru And Patel

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Mr. P. C. Joshi, General Secretary of the Communist Party of India, has issued a statement in the course of which he says:

I have received reliable news that the Nizam's Government is recruiting a large number of ex-Servicemen for the State service from certain Pathan tribes. This is being done quite openly through the Employment Exchange of the Government of India Labour Department.

I have no doubt that this is being done by the bureaucrats behind the back of the National Government. I appeal to Pandit Nehru and Sardar Patel to see that the recruitment for the Nizam's Infantry is prevented.

Independence Day Rejoicings

A report from Bhatkal, North Kanara, dated Aug. 15, says:—"His Holiness Shri Dwarakanath Tirth of Gokarn-Partagali Math, who has been camping at Venkatapur for the current 'Chaturmasa', offered special services to Shri Ramadev and Shri Vir-Vithal in honour of the liberation of India from the shackles of thraldom, today, and prayed to God that India may once more enjoy the benefits of Ramarajya and Dharmarajya and that all people in the country be blessed with peace and prosperity."

BOMBAY SIKHS AND RADCLIFFE AWARD

BOMBAY, August 21, (API): A meeting of the Sikhs of Bombay held here on August 18 passed a resolution expressing dissatisfaction at the "injustice done to the Sikhs by the Boundary Commission by breaking their solidarity and including their sacred shrines like Nankhana Sahib, the birthplace of Guru Nanak, in Pakistan."

The resolution was released to the Press today by the local Khalsa Sabha.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Governor of Bombay received the Hon. Minister, Home and Revenue.

His Excellency, accompanied by Lady Colville, presided at the Annual Convocation of the Bombay University.

Miss Colville and Miss Morison have left for the United Kingdom.

Lady Bourne, Sir Hugh and Lady Dow, Sir Olaf and Lady Caroe, Sir Eric Melville and Major W. J. B. Purcell have left

V. L. MEHTA FOR SATANA

Mr. V. L. Mehta, Minister for Finance, Co-operation and Village Industries, Government of Bombay, will leave for Satana (Nasik District) on Sunday (August 24) and will return to Bombay on Tuesday (August 26).

REGIONAL SELLING AGENTS

For the following areas*, are required for the Shark Liver Oil Products of the Government Oil Factory, Calicut, South India. Applicants should be firms of repute, and will furnish details of business standing, lines handled, area of operations, as also bank references. Applications should reach the undersigned not later than 31st August 1947.

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Lowtide: 09-37, 22-15.

Today's Engagements

B. P. C. C.: Urgent Meeting today, at 6 p.m., at Congress House.

INDIAN ECOLOGICAL SOCIETY: To meet Mr. McCann, at Royal Institute of Science, today, at 5 p.m.

K. R. CAMA ORIENTAL INSTITUTE: Dr. Jamahed Manekji Unvala's lecture in English on "The Pahlavi Language and its Importance for the Study of the Avesta," in the Library Hall of the Institute, today, at 6 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "Law of Correspondence" is the subject to be taken up for consideration, today, 6-15 p.m., at J. Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

MUNICIPAL WORKERS' UNION: At Room No. 1, B. I. T. Block No. 11, Poras Road, the Managing Committee will meet, today (Friday), at 6-30 p.m.

BHARATI SARABHAI TO WED DENNIS STOLL

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, August 20: A notice of arrangement of the forthcoming marriage between Mr. Dennis Stoll, son of Sir Oswald Stoll, and Miss Bharati, second daughter of Seth Ambalal Sarabhai, of Ahmedabad appeared in to-day's "Times".

Mr. Stoll is flying to India next month and they are to be married in October, according to Hindu rites. Mr. Stoll, though a Christian, will wear Indian dress and take the Saptapathi oath. He is a novelist and a composer and he met Miss Bharati in New Delhi last year.

Miss Bharati was born in Putney, London, 35 years ago and was educated at Somerville College, Oxford.

Bombay Natural Historical Society

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Sir John Colville was re-elected as present of the Bombay Natural Historical Society for the current year at an annual general meeting of the Society held this evening at the Lecture Hall of the B. E. S. T. Company. Lt.-Col. Sir Sahib Sokhey and Mr. W. S. Millard were elected as Vice-Presidents.

Films taken by Maj. Jim Corbett author of "the Maneaters of Kumaon" depicting wild life were shown to members.

HYDERABAD AFFAIRS

(From A. Special Correspondent)

HYDERABAD, (Dn.), August 20

Despite absolute indifference on the part of the State Government with regard to the celebration of the so-called independence of the Hyderabad State on August 15th, the common citizen got so dilirious over it, that the local Ittihad-ul-Muslemin got the God-sent opportunity of exploiting it to the full. —August 15th was celebrated all over India in accordance with the expectations and aspirations of the two major political parties —the National Congress and the Muslim League. Ittihad-ul-Muslemin erected several arches and decorated the main thoroughfares with Asfia flags and festoons and electric lights. While private friut-stalls and sweet-meat shops were tastefully decorated and every body was welcome to have what he pleased free of all cost. The Nizam himself is reported to have driven out in his private car unannounced to see the celebration and watch the fun. —

The State authorities have succeeded in dividing the two local organisations — the Ittihad-ul-Muslemin and the State Congress, and setting one against the other. The President of the State Congress — Swami Rama Nand Tirth, who has been carrying some sort of agitation in order to induce the Hyderabad State to join the Indian Union, has been quietly put into jail along with his associates for trying to hoist the Union flag on the clock-tower in Sultan Bazar.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

FRIDAY, August 22.

BOMBAY—1.

243.7 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Swar Kalika (by D'Amel) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 L. K. Kunte (Clarionet par Bhairavin) 8-45 Rangnath Jadhav and Party: (Vocal) 9-0 Tarabai Gadagkar (Allaiya Bilawal).

12-0 Programme of interest to women (G) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Variety 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Dance and Song 4-20 School Broadcast (M) 5-0 L. K. Kunte (Clarionet par Puria) 5-15 Programme in Hindi, Urdu and Hindustani by V. K. Dubey 5-45 Topic of Day 5-55 Locals 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 N. S. Patankar (Thumri Khamaj) 6-30 Rajanikant Desai (Patdeep) 6-45 Rangnath Jadhav and Party (Ghazals) 7-30 Kothalyahi Swarupat, etc. Discussion in Marathi between S. V. Kogekar and N. R. Deshpande 7-45 Classical Music 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 "Rehearsal" Play by Maurice Baring (by M. K. Fyzae) 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 Candid Eye (by S. K. Kooka) 10-0 Rajanikant Desai (Miyan Malhar) 10-30 Tarabai Gadagkar (Maluha Kedar).

CONVOCATION ADDRESS ON AIR.

A recording of the Convocation address of the Chancellor of the Bombay University at the annual Convocation for Conferring Degrees will be broadcast by All-India Radio Bombay at 1-40 p.m. to-day (Friday), on 244 and 31.15 metres.

Weather News For Farmers

FORECAST TILL THE MORNING OF 23-8-47:—Rainfall will be widespread in the Konkanpatti, Gujarat, Cutch and the Hyderabad State and occur locally in Khandesh, Desh, Mawal and the Bombay Karnatak.

HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING:—Heavy rain likely locally in the Konkanpatti and eastern Telungana and in some places in Rewakantha, Wagad, Halar, Jhalawad and Cutch during the next 48 hours.

OUTLOOK FOR SUBSEQUENT 2 DAYS:—Rainfall will decrease in Cutch, Kathiawar, Gujarat and increase in the Bombay Karnatak, Mawal, Desh and Khandesh.

Mr. Homi Kanga, whose violin recital under the auspices of the Besant Centenary Celebration Committee, will be held at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall at 6-30 p.m. on Monday the 25th inst.

PANCH ACQUITTED

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sen and Mr. Justice Gajandragadkar)

Tukaram Ramayya Guntuk—Applicant (Accused)

vs.

The King — Emperor — Opponent

The accused, who was a panch witness in a case, had been convicted and sentenced by the Chief Presidency Magistrate to 3 months' r. i. for giving false information to the Commissioner of Police, an offence under Section 182 of the Penal Code. The information in question had been conveyed by the accused to the Commissioner of Police by means of a letter in which it was stated that a Deputy Inspector who had carried out a raid in connection with the possession of illicit opium had entered in the panchnama 20 packets of opium as having been seized when as a matter of fact 30 packets had been seized. The accused alleged that he had been made to sign the panchnama against his will. Against his conviction the accused approached the High Court in Revision.

On behalf of the accused it was contended that the complaint having been made by the Deputy Commissioner and not by the Commissioner to whom the information had been given, the court could not take cognizance of the offence by reason of the provisions of section 195 of the Criminal Procedure Code. That section provided that no court could take cognizance of an offence under Section 182 of the Penal Code except on a complaint by the public servant concerned.

Their lordships held that even assuming that under Section 6 of the Bombay City Police Act a Deputy Commissioner could exercise and perform any of the powers conferred and duties assigned to the Commissioner, no order of the Commissioner to the Deputy Commissioner having been proved, the court could not take cognizance of the offence. Their lordships therefore set aside the conviction and acquitted the accused.

Mr. K. J. Khandalavala with Mr. V. H. Kamat appeared for the applicant-accused. The Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

ARRESTED FOR ALLEGED THEFT OF RADIOS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Pannalal Hardasgyandas was arrested by the Pattan Road Police on Thursday on a charge of theft in respect of three radios valued at Rs. 1,500.

It was alleged that the suspect was working with the complainant as his assistant and in that capacity committed the offence and absconded. He was released on bail at the Esplanade Police Court.

ALLEGED THEFT OF CLOTH

BOMBAY, Thursday.

On charge of housebreaking and theft in respect of 11 bales of cloth valued at Rs. 7,620 the police arrested Maruthi Limda on Thursday morning. It was stated that the complainant had stored 116 bales of cloth in a godown at Cavel Street. The godown is alleged to have been broken open and 11 bales of cloth were stolen. The suspect is strongly believed to be involved in the offence. He was remanded into police custody at the Esplanade Police Court.

Hooligans Smash Up City Hotel

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The "Star of India" a hotel in Mohammadali Road was practically smashed up and the staff beaten by a gang of hooligans, who raided the hotel, at 6 p.m., yesterday evening.

The Dongri Police who arrested Shabir Mirza, alleged leader of the gang, stated that Mirza was driven out from the hotel yesterday by the proprietor Mr. Habibulla, for not paying for his meals. The accused picked up a quarrel and later on returned with ten men, who assaulted the staff of the hotel, broke the saucers, removed Rs. 350 from the cashbox, and escaped. Mirza, who was the only one arrested, is lying in hospital along with six others of the hotel staff. He was allowed bail for Rs. 1,000 today by Mr. J. M. Barot, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Police Court.

Killed While Boarding Moving Train

BOMBAY, Thursday.

While attempting to board a moving train at Byculla Railway Station at 9-30 a.m. today Anthony Paul Rodrigues (35), was run over and instantly killed.

DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF LATE MR. K. R. CAMA

Glowing tributes were paid to the late Mr. K. R. Cama the reputed Parsi religious scholar and reformer at a function held under the auspices of the Rahnumae Mazdisnan Sabha in the hall of the Cama Oriental Institute on Wednesday last. Dr. Jivanji Jamaspji Modi presided. The occasion was the celebration of the 38th death anniversary of the late Mr. Cama.

Mr. Taraporewala said that he considered Zarthustnama to be the best among all the works of the late Mr. Cama, who had done substantial research work in the field of the Zoroastrian religious literature. He pleaded for the English translation of all the important works of Camaji.

Corporation's Tribute To Late Sir B. J. Wadia

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The services rendered to Indian education by the late Sir Bomanji Wadia, once-time Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University and an ex-Judge of the High Court, were praised in the Municipal Corporation today, when a resolution condoling his death was passed.

The Mayor, Mr. A. P. Sabavalla, recalled his career and described him as "an ardent educationist, a great gentleman and a true citizen".

Messrs. B. A. Dalal, Nagindas Master, K. H. Goregaonkar, Sulaiman Darvesh, M. I. Rowjee, Dr. Cursetji and several members paid tributes to Sir Bomanji.

The Corporation was adjourned.

RECORD FLIGHT BY INDIAN AIRCRAFT

In flying from U.K. to Karachi in 28 hours—31 minutes, the Indian National Airways Viking "Ganges" has established what is considered a record flight for twin-engined transport aircraft. The time included halts at Malta, Cairo and Basra.

The "Ganges" left Hurn (Bournemouth) at 0015 hours G.M.T. on the 13th and landed in Karachi at 0446 hours G.M.T. the following day.

Captain Patwardhan, who commanded the "Ganges", First Officer Sujir and Radio Officer Patil had operated the viking in shifts. Very tired after their remarkable flight, the modest, all-India crew were happy to have returned on the eve of their country's independence.

Nanda On Constructive Work For Harijan Uplift

AHMEDABAD, August 20, (A. P. I.):

Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, Government of Bombay, addressing a meeting of Harijans today said: "India will not be really free as long as there is untouchability but the progressive disappearance of untouchability augurs well for the future.

"Government will try to improve the lot of Harijans in villages, particularly by fixing the wages of agricultural labour but much will depend upon the constructive work for the uplift of the Harijans done in villages in co-operation with the Congress".

Mr. Behan Desai said that Camaji was the first Parsi scholar to make a profound study of Zoroastrian religion and explain its significance. He had produced many scholars to carry on his work.

Dasturji Bode said that the late Mr. Cama had dedicated his life to the development of the religious life of the Parsis. He further stressed the desirability of studying Avesta Pahelvi, the scriptural language of the Parsis.

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All-India Weather

POONA, Aug. 21. (API.) Following is the weather summary for Thursday, the 21st August 1947:—

A land depression has forged over south-west Sind. The Bay depression continues to be stationary centred near lat 17 degrees north, long. 87 degrees east and is likely to intensify and move west northwestwards. Widespread rain has fallen over the country south of lat 25 degrees north with locally heavy rain in the western part of the area. There have also been local rain in Assam, Bihar, United Provinces and the South Rajputana.

FORECAST UNTIL 22ND EVENING.—Well distributed light to moderate rain will occur over the entire country outside the Punjab, the North West Frontier Province and north Baluchistan. A few showers are likely in east and north Punjab and the North-West Frontier Province.

HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING:—Locally heavy rain will occur in Sind, East Rajputana, the Konkan and in the near East Hyderabad within the next 36 hours.

Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfal, in inches during past 24 hours from June 1 and departure from normal recorded at 8 a.m. Thursday:

Ahmedabad 30 78 0.1 12.8 minus 8 6 Ahmadnagar 82 71 0.2 11.7 plus 1.2 Ajmer 88 79 0 5.2 minus 8.2 Allahabad 93 80 0.2 4.9 plus .6 Bangalore 75 67 0.8 17.7 plus 7.6 Baroda 87 77 11.5—Benares 93 81 0 16.7 minus 8.3 Bhopal 89 75 T 3.8 minus 11.1 Bhuj 86 77 0.3 1.0 minus 8.8 BOMBAY 80 74 3.2 35.1 minus 17.9 Calcutta 89 79 1.2 35.9 plus 2.7 Calicut 81 74 1.1 91.2 plus 12.7 Cawnpore 93 80 0 1.2 0 Cherrapunji 74 65 268.4 plus 10.4 Cuttack 90 81.33.5 plus 1.2 Darjiling 66 59 1.2 61.5 minus 14.0 Dehradun 87 71 3.5 48.6 minus 8.1 Gwalior 93 80 T 3.5—Hyderabad (Dn) 86 72 1.3 16.9 plus 2.9 Hyderabad (Sd.) 100 80 0 0 minus 2.0 Indore 87 74 0.5 1.3 minus 1.3 Jaipur 89 75 0.6 6.4 minus 8.8 Jubbulpore 91 76 0.1 38.1 minus 0.4 Karachi 86 78 1.1 1.2 minus 4.0 Lucknow 90 80 T 35.8 plus 11.2 Mahableshwar 65 6 4.8 114.1 minus 87.7 Mangalore 79 74 0.9 99.6 plus 7.3 Nagpur 91 75 T 6.5 — Ootacamund 58 5 0.1 13.8 minus 5.5 Pachmarhi 81 69 1.0 82.0 plus 9.3 Patna 90 81 0 7.6 plus 0.8 Poona 79 72 0.1 13.5 minus 9.3 Rajkot 88 77 0.6 6.7 minus 11.7 Surat 87 77 0.3 14.0 minus 17.6.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Men of the nobiest dispositions think themselves happiest when others share their happiness.

—DUNCAN

The Bombay Chronicle

INTERIM STERLING AGREEMENT

The interim agreement on multilateral release of India's sterling balances concluded between the two Governments on August the fourteenth is well designed to cover the short period of four and a half months during which it is to remain valid. An agreement, which accompanies the settlement, provides for unlimited foreign credit for India's food imports. In the current and prospective context of our needs of foreign food, this assurance ought to be welcomed. Equally satisfactory is the declared readiness of both Governments not to put any restrictions on transfer of capital to its home country. This would mean that foreign investments in India being repatriated to U. K. will not meet with any difficulties on account of exchange. For current imports in excess of any that we can pay for by our current exports an amount of £35 millions is going to be made available out of our sterling balances. Besides these a sum of £30 millions will be available to the Reserve Bank of India for its normal use. It will thus be seen that for the period of twenty weeks for which the interim agreement seeks to provide adequate foreign exchange has been assured.

Whether the postponement of a longer settlement will prove an advantage remains to be seen. The attitude of the Muslim League members of the Interim Cabinet has all along been one of a strong support to India's claims. Now that the negotiations will have to proceed between the British Government, on the one hand, and the two Dominion Governments, on the other, it is much to be desired that the two latter Governments agree to be represented by a common negotiating committee. The respective shares of the two Dominions having been previously settled by the Partition Council there is no reason why such a united negotiation should not be possible. If the principles implicit in the interim arrangements are incorporated in the final settlement, there is no reason to apprehend that a mutually satisfactory arrangement cannot be arrived at. Britain's guarantee for emergency exchange, and normal supply of free currency for the estimated needs of India are the two principles on which the interim settlement is based. On her side, India has already taken steps to regulate exchange requirements in strict conformity with essential needs. While Britain's own capacity to create an export balance must continue to be a vital consideration that country has honestly to try and discharge its honourable obligations. We need hardly repeat our warning uttered in an earlier article that the next settlement should be really long term and final. We should not go from one interim agreement to another.

Smuts' Manoeuvres Exposed

A letter by Field Marshal Smuts to Pandit Nehru, one of a chain of letters that passed between the two, was unaccountably released from London a few days ago. The Government of India has now, therefore, released the whole correspondence. The correspondence is extremely revealing in character. Commenting on the letter of July 28 by General Smuts, we drew attention to "its air of self-righteous indignation, its overtones of pontification, and its steady refusal to heed the voice of justice reinforced by world opinion as expressed by the United Nations." The tone and spirit of Pandit Nehru's letters provide a refreshing contrast. They reflect the noble and humanitarian personality of their writer. They constitute a fine compromise between India's pride and dignity and her eagerness to arrive at a peaceful compromise. It will be recalled that although it was South Africa that was at the bar and it was that country's duty to take the initiative to implement the resolution of the General Assembly of the U.N., it was Pandit Nehru who first wrote to Marshal Smuts in the matter. It will also be remembered that at that time General Smuts made much ado about nothing by insisting that he was greatly handicapped by the absence of the Indian High Commissioner. Pandit Nehru's reply was characteristically direct. He asked South Africa to appoint delegates for direct negotiations and choose the venue. That letter was dated May 6.

—General Smuts made no reply till June 18. And we know—and it is now confirmed by his letter—that in the interval he tried to promote and patronise a group of Indians who were disowned by the Indian community in South Africa. Purporting to act on the suggestion of this group, General Smuts once again wrote to Pandit Nehru harping on the same theme—the return of the High Commissioner. As far as the demand for return of the High Commissioner was concerned, Pandit Nehru made a sporting offer. "In deference to the wishes of the Union Government and as a mark of their earnest desire to reach a friendly settlement" the Government of India would agree to the return of the High Commissioner, subject however, to one important prior condition—a condition which as a faithful member of the United Nations, India was in duty bound to impose. The condition was that the Union Government should "accept the United Nations' resolution as the basis of discussions". And even this condition General Smuts has turned down. As we remarked the other day, it is now for the United Nations to answer. Only India must prepare to send to the next session of the General Assembly a team which, if possible should be even stronger than the fine team which went there last year, and which will voice the feelings of free India, in a manner worthy of that freedom.

Frankly Speaking

Pakistan Policy

Pakistan has started off on its right foot. If the statement on political as well as socio-economic objectives, as set out by Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Premier of Pakistan, are firmly translated into action, there is no doubt Pakistan will be set on the road to destiny. Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan has pledged that it will be the constant aim of his Government so to conduct its affairs that, in the shortest possible time, "it may be broadbased on the foundations of internal security and efficient administration and take its proud place in the family of nations." Elaborating the same theme he has made two or three points clear. First, Pakistan has started on its career without any narrow and special commitments and without any prejudices in the international sphere. Mr. Liaquat Ali has affirmed its faith in world peace and offered unreserved co-operation with the United Nations. And now that Pakistan has been admitted as a member in the world family of nations, it may be hoped that she will play her part in the great cause of world peace. In internal administration the Pakistan Premier has declared war on corruption and asserted that in Pakistan the poor man's interest will come first. This policy should not be acceptable merely on paper, if Pakistan wants to make good as a State.

End The Custom

It is also gratifying to find that on a widely different plane also Pakistan has started off on the right foot. Miss Fatma Jinnah has initiated her career as the first lady of Pakistan by declaring war on the pernicious system of "purdah". Most reformers are agreed that "purdah", as it prevails in India, is physically, intellectually and morally degrading. Islam has never made any distinction between man and woman. Women were admitted to equal rights and were allowed to hold property. In India, there have been two Muslim queens, Razia Begum and Chand Bibi. And, the "purdah" of India has no basis in the Quran, the 'Sunnah' or the 'Fiqh'. Sir Sayyid Ahmed Khan, one of the leading benefactors of Indian Muslims, sought to overthrow the notion that Islam could not permit women out of "purdah". Yet very little progress seems to have been made since his day. Even now a very large number of otherwise intelligent and liberal Muslims insist on their women observing the "purdah". Mr. Jinnah, however, tackled the custom in a way peculiar to himself. He started taking his sister with him wherever he went and she appeared unveiled on many public platforms. The example was contagious and, as Miss Jinnah stated, a thousand Muslim women came to congratulate Mr. Jinnah on the achievement of Pakistan and all of them were unveiled. Miss Jinnah was, therefore, justified in hoping that the custom would vanish. We share her hope but we also expect that Miss Jinnah will not spare the influence and the opportunity that her unique position presents in rooting out this evil custom.

A Wise Resolve

One of the most tragic things amidst the tragic gloom in which Calcutta dragged its dark days during the last one year, has been the failure of a section of the press to rise to the full stature of its responsibility. Everywhere in India, the press, as a whole, has showed its willingness to lay aside its partisan inclinations at times of crisis. It has co-operated with the authorities charged with the duty of maintaining peace, by imposing on itself a self-denying ordinance. While news of the tragic communal happenings were published, such publication was informed by a sense of objectivity and disciplined by a very rigorous control of communal colouring or of indulging in gruesome or sensational details. The result was that in general the press played a sobering role. Unfortunately in Calcutta, however, a section of the press, particularly the Indian language press, became an instrument of political and communal machinations. The absence of self-imposed restraints on its part, not to speak of its failure to play a positive role as a peacemaker was undoubtedly one of the factors responsible for prolonging the unsettled conditions in Calcutta. Now that, under the inspiring guidance of Mahatma Gandhi, Calcutta has decided to turn its back on a black chapter in her history, it is gratifying to note that the journalists of that city have also responded to the spirit of the times by resolving not to write anything to provoke communal feeling. We have no doubt that this decision, if scrupulously adhered to, will have a wholesome influence and may help to stabilise and make permanent the peaceful conditions which have come to prevail in their city during the last few days. In Bombay, the Government has promptly acted on the suggestion of the Provincial Press Advisory Committee and returned the securities demanded from the newspapers, cancelled restraint orders served on certain newspapers and even returned securities forfeited since April last year. This welcome gesture of the Government of Bombay will, we have no doubt, be fully responded to as the Provincial Press Advisory Committee as well as the Government rightly expects, by the Press which will now bend all its efforts towards promoting communal harmony.

A Word To Hyderabad

Public opinion all over India has been greatly exercised over the recent happenings in the Hyderabad State. Coming in the immediate wake of the Nizam's declaration of "Independence" which has been rightly resented all over the country, reports of the treatment meted out to the flags of the Indian Union and the Congress and to Hyderabad nationalists have, naturally enough further exacerbated feelings, and have lent themselves to some exaggerations also. In the Constituent Assembly, the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru declared that the Nizam's Government had categorically denied that any incident involving disrespect to the national flag had taken place in the State and said that they had allowed the flag to be flown everywhere. It was the correct attitude on the part of India's Prime Minister to accept the words of the Nizam's Government. But the Nizam's Government should, on their part, appreciate the true meaning of this gesture and the obligations that it imposes on them instead of merely congratulating themselves on escaping from a delicate situation by verbal assurances. Incidents may have been exaggerated but most of them at any rate have not just been invented. Flags are reported to have been confiscated from shops, houses and persons and otherwise, too, the civil as also military forces of the State, in some cases, are reported to have behaved in a manner which is defiantly hostile to the Indian Union and its flag. These things have got to stop and the Administration has got to change its spirit. This is necessary in the interests of the Nizam's Government itself.

Our Readers' Views

Governors' Salaries

Sir,—With much surprise I read news about the salaries of the Provincial Governors, in your issue of 7th August '47.

Having learnt of the fact that Congressmen have been designated to be the Governors in the Provinces of the Indian Dominion, it sounded much odd.

While former C. P. Governor used to draw Rs. 72,000 inclusive of income tax, the new Governors will draw Rs. 72,000 exclusive of income tax. Is this for which Congress stood? Was the proposal for Minister's salaries to be brought to Rs 500, a humbug?

I feel that it reacts much adversely on the common man in the street.

I have ventured to write all this, with the hope that high ranking Congress leaders would not let it go unheeded.—Yours, etc

V. S. KELKAR

Madhi.

"Jhanda Uncha Rahe Hamara"

Sir,—The cover of your "Sunday Chronicle" with the above lines inspires me to write, why not make this song our National Anthem? The song so far as I remember runs as under: and has an inspiring tune:—

"Vijai Vishpati Ranga Piyara"
"Jhanda Uncha Rahe Hamara"
"Aavo Viro, Viro Aavo"
"Desh Abadi Bali Bali Javo."

The literal meaning of the above lines is:—

O! Victorious Lord of the World
Dear Ranga
(Mag) our Flag (always) remain High

Come on O, Brave! Come on Sacrifice! Sacrifice yourselves for the prosperity of your country.

This song was often sung in "Prabhat Feries" and I think, it would be a better song as a National Anthem than "Vande Matram" which song though it has more sentiment behind will be very difficult to sing when the army is quickly marching. Also its meaning is understood by very few.—Yours, etc.

C. K.

Partition Won't Affect Taxes And Duties

No Interim Budget For India Govt. For Remainder Of Year

POLICY OF RECRUITMENT TO CENTRAL SERVICES ANNOUNCED

NEW DELHI, August 21. (A.P.I.): Partition will not affect the existing rates of taxation or of duties during the current financial year, it is reliably learnt, and there is no question of an interim budget for the remainder of the financial year as anticipated in some circles.

The representatives of India and Pakistan on the Partition Council agreed that the Status Quo with regard to taxes, Customs and other duties should be maintained until the end of February.

POLICY REGARDING RECRUITMENT

The Government of India have reviewed their policy relating to recruitment to Central Services in respect of domicile qualifications and communal reservations, says a Press Communique.

The policy of the Government is that save in exceptional circumstances appointments under Government should be confined to Indians only. They do not, however, propose to declare all residents of adjoining territories as ineligible for appointments under the Indian Dominion. They have, therefore, come to the decision that in future, a candidate for appointment to the Central Services under the Indian Dominion should be either.

(i) A national of the Indian Dominion by birth or by domicile, or

(ii) A person of Indian descent, or a ruler or a citizen of an Indian State, or a citizen of Pakistan or other territory adjacent to India in whose favour a declaration of eligibility has been issued by the Central Government.

Such declarations of eligibility will be given after considering each individual case on merits and one of the criteria in determining the eligibility of rulers or subjects of Indian States will be whether the State concerned has elected to join the Indian Dominion.

RESERVATION ONLY FOR SCHEDULED CLASSES

In regard to communal representation, the Government of India have decided that it is no longer necessary to retain the system of reservation in respect of vacancies filled by competition except for Scheduled Castes who need this protection in view of their backwardness. Orders are accordingly being issued to the effect that where recruitment is made by competition, that is, by means of competitive tests held by the Federal Public Service Commission or other authority or by selection through the Federal Public Service Commission, appointments should be made entirely on merit, subject to a reservation in favour of Scheduled Castes of 12-1/2 per cent of the vacancies filled by direct recruitment.

In regard to posts filled from the open market otherwise than by competition, recruitment will be made approximately in proportion to the population of the various communities in the Indian Dominion. The reservations which have been fixed are:—

Hindu (other than Scheduled Castes) 60 per cent.
Scheduled Castes 16-2/3 per cent.
Muslims 12-1/3 per cent.
Others 10 per cent.

All reservations continue to be subject to the condition that suitably qualified candidates belonging to the communities in whose favour there is reservation are forthcoming.

INDIA GOVT. DEPARTMENTS

In future the various departments of the Government of India will be known as "Ministries". The Finance Department will be known as the Ministry of Finance and likewise other Departments.

OATHS TO INDIAN UNION

The employees of the Central Government took oaths of allegience to their country today.

A similar oath was also taken by the employees of the Delhi Provincial Administration.

INDIAN ARMY HQ.

The new Headquarters of the Indian Army which will be known as Army Headquarters, India, are located in the Red Fort Delhi, and started functioning on August 18, says an official announcement.

EXCLUDED AREAS COMMITTEE

A joint meeting of the Excluded and Partially Excluded Areas Sub-Committees of Assam and other Provinces will be held at 3 p.m. on August 25 to send a joint report as desired by Advisory Committee.

The Sub-Committee for areas other than Assam will tour the United Provinces from September 14 to 19.

INDIA'S ENVOYS TO STATISTICAL CONGRESS

India has received invitations from the President of the United States and the Secretary-General of the United Nations in connection with the twenty-fifth session of the International Statistical Institute and the world Statistical Congress, both to be held in Washington between September 6 and 18.

The Government of India have accepted the invitations and have decided to send a delegation consisting of:

Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis, Indian representative on the United Nations Statistical Commission (leader); Dr P. V. Sukhatme, Statistical Adviser to the India Council of Agricultural Research, Prof. R. C. Bose, of Calcutta University, Prof. K. B. Madhava, Economist and Statistician in the Transport Department, Prof. V. K. R. V. Rao of Delhi University, Mr. S. Subramanian, Statistician to the Economic Adviser to the Governmtnt of India, who will also act as Secretary to the Delegation

Attack On Nationalist Muslims

3 Killed In Police Firing On Rowdy-Mob At Melapalayam On August 15

MADRAS, August 20, (A. P. I.): Three were killed and seven injured as a result of police firing at Melapalayam, Tinnevelly District, on August 15, according to an official 'communique' issued today.

The 'communique' adds:—

"The national flag was hoisted according to programme at 10-15 a.m. on the maidan near the Panchayat Board hospital. Both Hindus and Muslims participated.

Mr. V. S. T. Mahomed Ibrahim Nationallst Muslim leader and his followers were in the crowd. As the crowd started moving, there was constant stone-throwing from Muslims and Mr. Mahomed Ibrahim and party were chased by a mob numbering about 4,000.

He took refuge in the hospital which was then attacked on all sides with showers of stones. The Sub-Inspector, two head constables and ten constables arrived but a lathi charge proved futile.

SUB-INSPECTOR KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS.

The Sub-Inspector himself was hit on the head by a stone and knocked unconscious. Three Carbines from the police station nearby were procured and the Sub-Inspector, before he fell ordered fire to be opened.

Seventeen rounds were fired, three persons were killed on the spot and at this stage the D. S. P. arrived followed by a detachment of the armed reserve. The District Magistrate came a little later.

The total casualties were three killed and seven injured. On the police side, in addition to the Sub-Inspector two constables sustained injuries and the injured were treated in the hospital. The Sub-Inspector is out of danger.

The situation has returned to normal and both sides have assured the District Magistrate that there will be no repercussions.

TRAVELLERS MAY CARRY ONLY £5 STERLING NOTES OUT OF U. K.

LONDON, August 21, (Reuter): From Saturday, (August 23), the amount in sterling notes which may be carried into or out of the United Kingdom by travellers will be reduced from £20 to £5 per head, the British Treasury announced tonight.

Availability Of Dollars To India

LONDON, August 21 (APA): A Treasury spokesman said India's position following yesterday's sterling dollar announcement "means that India will still have access to dollars in the same way that other Sterling area countries have—we will continue to make available to India whatever dollars are essential for her minimum requirements."

The spokesman was unable to estimate what percentage this would be of the 35,000,000 pounds freed under the Anglo-Indian agreement which India had the right to convert into dollars.

RUSSIA'S VETO BARS ITALY & HUNGARY FOR YEAR

LAKE SUCCESS, Aug. 21, (UPA): Russia killed by veto a proposal in the United Nations Security Council to give qualified approval to Italy's bid for United Nations membership. The action bars Italy for at least one year.

Earlier, the Security Council barred Hungary from membership for a year. The vote was one in favour, one against and nine abstentions.

NEW WITHDRAWALS REDUCE BRITISH CREDITS TO 400,000,000 DOLLARS

WASHINGTON, August 21 (Reuter): Britain's withdrawal to-day of another 150,000,000 dollars from the Anglo-American loan and the planned withdrawal of the same amount on August 25 and 29 will reduce the remaining credits to 400,000,000 dollars or a little over one-ninth of the total loan of 3,750,000,000 dollars.

The further withdrawals officials here said, were permitted to meet goods on order in the United States for 450,000,000 dollars.

RED CROSS SUPPLIES FLOWN TO CHITTAGONG

CHITTAGONG, August 21, (A.P.I.): Through the efforts of Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. H S. Suhrawardy three tons of Red Cross relief supplies of food-stuffs, water purifier tablets multi-vitamin, milk and biscuits arrived in Chittagong today by two planes with five Red Cross workers, informs the Deputy Director, Indian Red Cross, Bengal Branch.

Our Common Heritage

BY MOHAMED TAHER

Divine faith appears to have decreed that this vast sub-continent of India should become the abode for the caravans of diverse races and religions, various cultures and civilisations.

Many such Caravans came to India and India generously accommodated them all.

The last such Caravan to visit India brought our Muslim forefathers here who also arrived here along the same historical landmarks and these last comers made India their homeland.

This last immigration brought about a fusion of two diverse races and cultures and when this fusion was achieved through the mysterious working of Providence the foundation of a really new India was firmly laid.

India, a land rich in the treasures of mind and matter, opened its arms wide for the new comers who themselves carried in abundance their own experiences and cultural gifts given to them by their religion Islam.

The new-comers while partaking of things Indian gave to India that gift which it needed most, the ideals of Democracy and equality of man.

Eleven hundred years have swept over this fact and now the Muslims have acquired the same claim over India as the Hindus. Just as a Hindu can say with a legitimate pride that he is an Indian and a follower of the great Hindu religion, exactly in the same manner and with no less pride a Muslim is entitled to claim Indian Nationality while practising Islam. The intimate contact extending over eleven centuries has put a common stamp on our language, our dress and our customs. We spoke different languages, but soon evolved a common language. In our customs we were strangers to each other, but soon achieved a common mould—our dresses can be studied from old paintings, but they are no more found on our persons.

Our common intimate life of more than a thousand years brought about a synthesised common Nationality—an achievement which is the handiwork of Providence and which takes centuries to develop.

The followers of Islam regard their history, their arts, sciences and their culture as their greatest wealth in life and they regard it as their duty to safeguard all these. However, side by side with this achievement to things their own they have developed in India other attachments and loyalties created by their sense of their sense of reverence for sea andu their religion does not inhibit these new attachments. The Muslim while remaining a Muslim can with considerable pride assert his Indian Nationality for he has been a very important factor in United India—a factor the removal of which will reduce the greatness and glory of India.

Whether they like it or not the Indians have become a Nation and they must bow before this decree of fate. Just as in the struggle for India's independence the Hindus, Muslims and the other communities have fought shoulder to shoulder and leaders like Maulana Mahmudul Hasan, Hakim Ajmal Khan, Dr. Ansari, Maulana Mohamed Ali, Maulana Shaukat Ali, Maulana Abulkalam Azad, Maulana Hasrat Mohani and many others stood together with the great Hindu leaders to overthrow the enemies of India's independence, in the same manner now that Independence has been achieved, all should co-operate in common constructive programme for our independent country.

In building up a fair, just and a strong state we are carrying out an experiment which is already being watched by the whole world. Let us not fail. Our National Flag is the symbol of our Glory and Unity and we must be prepared to give the last drop of our blood to maintain its honour and greatness.

'Long Live India.'

WHAT INDIA NEEDS NOW

(BY M. Y. NURIE)

To-day we all have most difficult and complex duties and responsibilities to our new born country—The old certainties have suddenly disappeared, the old values are changing and are in the melting pot: bitterness and hatred have gone deep and far and discontentment is all round.

Under these circumstances, it is the duty of every one of us to understand the true situation, to examine it cooly and to adapt ourself to its requirements.

We must remember that India is not still free and Independent. It has not yet reached its cherished goal, and the Democracy is yet in the making. To achieve our goal and establish real Democracy we must internally combine and prevent hatred and prejudice through enlightened education and mutual understanding.

A Democratic Society is as much a matter of friendly inter-relations of its members as of the forms through which it is ruled. Fear and insecurity in the minds of its members are fatal to Democracy. There should be no discrimination on grounds of religion, race, sex or wealth. The essence of Democracy is that all the citizens in a Democratic Society share rights and responsibilities on equal terms and are given equal opportunities to occupy such positions of trust and importance as their capacities make them fit for, and have the fullest possible opportunity to serve one another without any distinction. It is wrong to think that the essence of Democracy is a parliamentary election conducted under conditions of conflict between political parties of the traditional western type.

If we all understand it and work honestly for it this new born Indian Union shall certainly rise loftier than any country the world has ever known in its history.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

BATAVIA: Dr. H. Van Mook, Lieutenant, Governor-General of the Netherlands East Indies, stated in a national broadcast that the opportunity for the Indonesian Republicans at Jogjakarta to change their attitude and methods was still open, but could not continue to be open indefinitely. He announced that areas made safe by the Dutch were expanding and the authority of the present Republican Government could no longer be recognised there. —Reuter.

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The Hyderabad State Charkha Sangh has complained against confiscation of the Indian Union flags and Congress flags from the Khadi Bhandars of the Sangh in Nizamabad.

We insist, in confident assumption of full support by the Nawab of Chhatari that the complaint is "entirely baseless".

As to the report that a battalion of the Nizam's State forces shouted through the bazars of Hyderabad slogans like "Pakistan Zindabad" and "Congress Muradabad", it is more or less "entirely baseless".

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"Authoritative quarters" in New Delhi apparently lack the virtue of sympathy and an objective sense of the value of face. They have therefore, contradicted all reports suggesting that some states have got or would get 'better terms' for accession to the Indian Union than the rest.

Now everybody knows that the "States" concerned were trying through those reports only to save their face. Nothing more. They knew and, in fact, they knew that the world knew. And they were entitled to think that "authoritative quarters" also knew and that knowing, they, the said "authoritative quarters" would not be so unkind as to expose the obvious.

We wholeheartedly sympathise with those "States". And we are pained and disappointed that New Delhi should have given an unnecessary exhibition of cynicism.

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But let New Delhi beware also. So far as Indore is concerned it is perhaps all right.

But—Travancore! Do they realise the consequences to them of exposing Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyyar's brilliant elucidation of the real position?

Suppose he pursues them with Literature and Philosophy? Where will they be?

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Asked by the Natal Indian Congress for an Indian Independence Day message, Dr. S. P. Barnard, the Orange Free State Administrator, says in response: "...I hope all Indians in South Africa will now emigrate voluntarily to the new Dominion...."

How about Boers and British Whites emigrating to Holland and Britain?

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A writer in the Russian magazine "Soviet Art" charges that Hollywood bosses are forcing film stars to transform their art into "an obedient weapon of dollar diplomacy".

In other words of forcing them to subordinate art to political ideology—American, of course.

AUNG SAN'S FUNERAL IN FEBRUARY NEXT

RANGOON, Aug. 21. (Reuter): The funeral of Aung San and six other Burmese Ministers assassinated last month will be in February next year at the earliest, the State General Committee announced today.

The remains of the Ministers are to continue lying in state for six months. An earlier announcement had said the funeral would only be held after Burma had been granted independence.

In one month, 2,500,000 people have visited the Jubilee Hall to pay homage to the dead Ministers.

BA MAW'S WIFE'S PETITION.

Mrs. Ba Maw, wife of the former Burma Premier and leader of the "Independence First" movement, has petitioned to the Rangoon High Court against the alleged unlawful arrest of her husband on Aug. 1, it was stated here today.

The petition, submitted through Dr B. Han, a noted Burmese lawyer and brother of Dr. Baw Maw, is expected to be heard on September 1.

In her petition, Mrs. Ba Maw claimed that arrest without formal charge and trial was legal only under wartime Defence of Burma Rules which had now been rescinded. She sought the court's order for an early trial of her husband if the authorities had any charges to prefer against him.

Burmese politicians detained at Insein Prison, near Rangoon, since the assassination, have petitioned the Government against alleged "indiscriminate arrests amounting to political persecution and improper treatment of detenus", it is reliably learned here.

SIR B. N. RAU INVITED.

The Burmese Government has invited Sir B. N. Rau, Constitutional Adviser to the Government of India, to come here for consultations on Burma's draft constitution, which was adopted in principle by the Constituent Assembly last week, Burmese Press reports said today.

Sir B. N. Rau was expected to arrive here this week-end.

S. AFRICAN LESSON FOR INDIA!

BLOEMFONTEIN (ORANGE FREE STATE), August 20, (Reuter): The Provincial Administration has issued for publication the reply sent by the Administrator Dr. S. P. Barnard to a request from the Natal Indian Congress for a message on the occasion of the India Day. The Administrator's message reads:

"As you are celebrating Independence of the new Dominions which you consider as a great day in the annals of Indian history, I hope all Indians in South Africa will now emigrate voluntarily to the new Dominions to act as missionaries of the gospel they have been taught in South Africa, namely, to live in peace and order and not fight in communal riots in which hundreds are being killed in India. With my best wishes."

Constituent Assembly

Taxing Power Of Centre And Units Discussed

Alladi's Plea For Acceptance Of Union Powers Committee Recommendations

NEW DELHI, Aug. 21 (API): Mr. Alladi Krishnaswamy Iyer made a forceful plea for the retention of the provisions of the Union Powers Committee report when the Constituent Assembly resumed discussion on the report this morning.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, President, was in the chair.

Mr. Alladi was replying to the criticisms made by Mr. Santanam yesterday that the report sought to saddle the Centre with powers which should normally have been vested in the provinces.

Mr. Santanam's remarks, Mr. Alladi said, fell under two heads—firstly those relating to the subject of Federal finance and the distribution of taxing power between the Federation and the Units, and secondly, the general encroachment on provincial legislative power by the addition of certain items to the Federal list or the Concurrent list.

A DIFFICULT PROBLEM

There was no gainsaying the fact that Federal finance and distribution of taxing power was a difficult and complicated problem in any Federal Scheme of Government and had to be approached with caution and discernment. At every stage one had to remember that after all, it was an individual or Corporation that was being taxed though there might be two taxing agencies and that there was no unlimited or indefinite scope for taxation. Secondly, the industrial commercial and agricultural economy of the country was so closely knit together that the taxation in one sphere must necessarily have its repercussions on taxation in another sphere.

IMPROVEMENT ON OTHER SYSTEMS

Bearing these points in view, he thought the system suggested in the report was an improvement on the systems in other countries, with due regard to the peculiar conditions, the poverty and taxable capacity of India.

In Australia, the Commonwealth had plenary powers of taxation with the only safeguard that it could not discriminate between States or parts of States. In regard to excise and customs, the power of the Commonwealth was exclusive though in regard to other subjects of taxation, the Commonwealth-power was concurrent and co-extensive with that of the State.

In Canada, the power of a province in taxation matters was confined to direct taxation and to shop and other licenses for raising revenue; it was in exercise of the power of direct taxation that the provinces of Canada had been raising corporation taxes, income-tax and succession duties where succession took place within the limits of a province. So far as the Dominion was concerned, it had plenary or unrestricted power.

The Royal Commission appointed recently to investigate Dominion-Provincial relations was definitely in favour of the provinces withdrawing from all Corporation taxes except bonafide license taxes, taxes on real cable to Corporations and other consumers. The Committee had also recommended that taxing power should reside in the Dominion and that national adjustment grants should be made to the different provinces.

U. S. TAXATION

In the United States, a general power of taxation vested in the Congress subject only to the restriction that the duties imposed including excise shall be uniform throughout the United States and that no tax or duty shall be laid on articles exported from any State.

Under the scheme of financial distribution in the Government of India Act the object kept in view as far as possible, was the prevention of a double levy on the citizen from two different sources. That was why certain specific taxes had been assigned to the Centre and certain others to the provinces. Even in regard to taxes in respect of which the Centre was a collecting agency on grounds of convenience, provision had been made for the distribution of the same to provinces subject only to collection charges or for division of the proceeds between the Centre and Provinces.

In regard to certain taxes like Corporation Tax, Customs and certain specific items of Excise, the Centre was both the collecting agency and the authority entitled to the proceeds thereof. In regard to other items like Estate Duty, Succession Duty and so on, the Centre was the collecting agency, the proceeds being distributed between the provinces.

In regard to income-tax, the scheme was for the distribution of the proceeds between the Centre and the provinces. The provinces had the sole right of collection and an exclusive beneficial interest in a few items of taxation.

SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION

While there might be room for readjustment and even reallocation in regard to one or two items of taxation, he would venture to state that the scheme of distribution embodied in the report was sound and in some respects an improvement upon the schemes in other countries.

DISTRIBUTION OF POWERS

Mr. Alladi Krishnaswamy Iyer referred to the general scheme of distribution of powers between the Centre and the Units and said there was nothing in the report which could be objected to. Quite a good number of the items in the Central list could be brought under the heads of Defence, Foreign Affairs and Communications. Other items, such as bills of Exchange, Banking, Corporation Law, Inter-Unit Trade etc. in the Central list bore upon the general welfare of the country.

It was possible, in regard to Banking, Corporation Law and Insurance, to differentiate between Corporations having purely provincial objects and Corporations whose objects and activities extended beyond the limits of the Union, followig the Australian or Canadian model.

Very few, if at all, of the provincial list had been transferred to the Federal list. The existence of a Concurrent list in matters like the general code of Indian laws Hindu law etc., while helping provincial differentiation where needed, more for uniformity of law and general administration. Break-down provisions had been introduced at the insistence of some of the provincial representatives.

Mr. Alladi submitted that the report deserved careful consideration by the Assembly. He had no doubt that at the end of their labours, and after searching criticism, the House would not find much that could be taken exception.

Mr. Mohammad Shariff (Mysore) said the House must be very circumspect and careful in the matter of distributing powers between the Centre and the Units. A strong Centre should not become oppressive, crushing the liberties and privileges of the people living in the component Units of the Federation. The House should take care to see that the powers of the Units were not abrogated by the Centre. This was very necessary, for the framing of a good constitution for free India.

Pandit Balkrishna Sharma said that the existence of a strong centre did not in any way militate against the existence of a powerful living unit inside that Central authority. If we analysed the categories of powers item by item, we would find that there was nothing in them which could be objected to by advocates of provincial autonomy like Mr. Santhanan.

Maulana Hasrat Mohani had pleaded for the establishment of Socialist Republics. Socialist Republics could not exist unless they were well knit and had a central direction. Socialisation of industries demanded central direction. Therefore, decentralisation and the establishment of a Socialist society could not go together.

Mr. Gaganvihari Mehta said that Mr. Santhanan seemed to discuss this question of division of powers as though it were a kind of tug of war between one authority and another. It was nothing of the kind. It is a plan whereby through mutual concessions provincial and cultural loyalties can be preserved and reconciled with the political strength and solidarity of the Indian Union. Nobody says that this vast country should be ruled on a unitary bsis. We do not wish to effect uniformity in this country but unity is essential matters."

NEED FOR INTEGRATED ECONOMIC POLICY

We required a comprehensive and integrated economic policy not merely for our material advancement but for our very existence. In many other sphere too, for example, in mercantile marine training, aviation, co-ordination of higher education, etc., we required All-India policies. Therefore, the question of a strong centre or weak centre, as Mr. Alladi Krishnaswamy Ayyar had pointed out, could not be discussed in general terms. The House had to consider particular items and then decide whether that particular function could be performed better by the Centre or by the Province.

Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar, Dewan of Mysore, made a strong plea for giving more powers to the units. There was no one in the House who felt that the Centre should not be strong, he said. It was not a tug of war between the Centre and the provinces. It was not a question of not appreciating the necessity of a Centre which was strong, firm, which knew its mind and had no fear of executing its policies. "Those of the States which have acceded to this Dominion have acceded with no mental reservations whatsoever (cheers). It is with the desire to make this Federation a success, it is with the anxiety that this Federation should have as far as possible a dignified place in the comity of nations, that its representatives should rise to the full stature of manhood, that in their speeches and in their contribution at international gatherings they should with a voice second in authority to none that we have acceded to the Dominion (cheers).

Let there be no doubt whatsoever that there is none in this House representing a State or speaking on behalf of a unit who has the slightest desire in any way to minimise the powers or authority of the Centre.

"But, if in spite of that, there have been occasional voices raised regarding provincial autonomy, it is only because there is another aspect of the question which has also to be appreciated by this assembly.

PROBLEMS OF ADMINISTRATION

"The headaches of the administrators of the units are at least as great as the headaches of the administrators of the Centre. Much of the sphere which makes for the happiness of the individual man lies with the provincial or unit administration and not with the central administration (hear, hear). The responsibility for free and compulsory education, proper medical aid, sanitation, promoting health, making a man live a little longer than an average life of 25 or 27 years which has been so far our lot in this country, providing proper housing and other things—all this is the responsibility of the provincial administration."

While he wanted the Centre to have all the resources it needed for carrying out its primary objective of defending the country, he asked whether the taxation powers recommended by the Union Powers Committee were sufficient to enable the provinces to meet their responsibilities for nation-building activities.

He analysed these powers as follows:—Land Revenue: For years there had been agitation to revise settlements and to do away with land revenue as far as possible. Prime Minister and Ministers eleeted on adult franchise, would find it very hard indeed to raise land revenue. Land revenue would be a decreasing asset in the future and could not be the great asset that it was to-day.

Duties on excise: Alcoholic liquors for human consumption, opium, Indian hemp and other narcotic drugs and narcotics, medicinal and toilet preparations containing alcohol, etc: With a mandate from the Centre for prohibition which most of the provinces had accepted already, what sort of revenue would alcoholic liquors yield? Again, opium was the subject of International regulations and the yield on this account was bound to diminish. This item could as well be abolished.

Taxes on agricultural income: He understood that the abolition of Zamindari was going to be in accomplished fact very soon. The division of large holdings was bound to take place when peasant proprietorship was made possible. In that case, the tax on agricultural land was bound to be a very poor source of revenue. If this tax was taken along with the Estate Duty in respect of agricultural land, the peasant proprietor having two acres or four acres of land could not provide much revenue.

TAXES ON LANDS AND BUILDINGS

Taxes on lands and buildings, hearths and homes: This was a very good source of revenue if any provincial Minister dared tax all hearths in his province (laughter). The tax on hearths was introduced for the benefit of certain local bodies in the tribal areas. It was heartless to think of taxing hearths (more laughter). In any case, it was a tax for local bodies and not a provincial source of revenue.

Capitation taxes: Would any provincial Minister have the temerity to reintroduce a poll tax or Jhazia? (laughter).

Taxes on professions, trades, callings and employments: This was a very small source of revenue and mainly intended for Local Self-Government institutions.

TAXES ON LUXURIES

Taxes on luxuries, including taxes on entertainments, amusements, betting and gambling: betting and gambling was sought to be abolished by many Ministries. The fate of the turf course was hanging in the balance in more than one federating unit. That was the only source of revenue from which any large income could be had Life was rather dull in most of the areas of the Federation (laughter).

The report, no doubt, said: "The retention by the Federation of the proceeds of all the taxes specified by us would disturb, in some cases violently, the financial stability of the units and we recommend therefore that provision should be made for an assignment or a sharing of the proceeds of some of these taxes on a basis to be determined by the Federation from time to time. With so many ifs and buts this was a small source of consolation to a province.

The Centre had one inexhaustible source of revenue—the Nasik Security Printing Press, which could be used in abnormal circumstances. The Provinces were denied this source. In that plight, provincial autonomy, even with respect to the few subjects entrusted to the provinces would be of a very poor kind indeed.

Mr. D. P. Khaitan said Sir Ramaswamy Mudaliar seemed to have forgotten the defence needs of the country. If there was war, the whole resources of the country would have to be regimented. Without being dubbed an alarmist, he would like to remind the House of this possibility in the present context of world events.

For the development of education, industries and other nation building activities, he should have thought that it was necessary to treat the whole country as one.

Mr. Omeo Kumar Das (Assam), while lending general support to the motion, said that in their eagerness to strengthen the Centre they should not weaken the provinces.

Sir B. L. Mitter (Baroda) refuted the criticism that the report was drafted without proper consideration and that the distribution of powers was made arbitrarily. As a member of the Committee he would say that the Committee was entirely guided by the principle that matters of national concern should be vested in the Centre and matters of provincial concern should vest in the provinces.

Answering the question why the States were differently dealt with from that of the Provinces, Sir B. L. Mitter said that nearly half of India as constituted today formed the Indian States. We wanted the States to join the Indian Union and they agreed to come in on the basis of May 16 declaration. The Committee was anxious that the States should join the Union and thus form a consolidated and strong India. He had no doubt that once the State joined the Union, gradually the States and provinces would approximate with each other. Assuming that the States were backward, then it was necessary that some indulgence must be shown to them. They must first associate themselves with the administration which would lead to the consolidation and strengthening of India.

Mr. N. Gopalaswamy Ayyengar, replying to the debate, said that among the considerations which weighed with the framers of the report was that at the inception of the Federation in any case some consideration should be given to the different conditions which prevailed in the Indian States and the Provinces. The ultimate ideal was that in due course Provinces and States would approximate and the distinctions which now existed would find themselves removed by common consent and agreement. At the moment what we were interested in was to keep this integrated political structure that had come into being and to strengthen that structure even if in so doing we had to discriminate in favour of certain units. The House should recognise that the Union Powers Committee's report was based on the recognition of that distinction.

The fears of some members that the Committee had grabbed for the Centre functions and resources which would have been more appropriately assigned to the Provinces were based on a delusion. The lists which they had made were to be found in the Government of India Act of 1935. It was possible for critics to say that the 1935 Act list was not based on convincing considerations. The Committee had included in the provincial list all the items of taxation and revenues which could be found in the provincial list of the present Act. The Committee recognised that the sources that were listed for the benefit of the Centre might produce revenues which would perhaps on the present standards be more than adequate for the needs of the Centre. It also recognised that the Central taxes might upset the financial equilibrium of the Union and therefore it made a specific recommendation that steps should be taken for the assignment of some of those resources between the Centre and the units periodically at the discretion of an authority which in the course of framing of the constitution we might decide upon to establish for that purpose.

Mr. T. Prakasam said that the 1935 Act was rushed through and this country had not had adequate opportunity of putting its views and it need not be taken as a model for us.

Mr. Gopalaswamy Ayyengar said that it took nearly eight years to complete the enactment. Various Commissions and Committees and finally a joint Parliamentary Committee consisting of representatives from this country had associated themselves in the framing of the Act. It might be that what was produced did not satisfy us in certain respects but it was not a hurried measure.

Mr. Gopalaswamy Ayyengar invited constructive criticism and asked how the members proposed to add to the Federal list and what subtractions they proposed from the provincial list. He pointed out that the report as presented to the House did not give a full picture as to what would be the financial structure under the new constitution. As he had stated on earlier occasion, the whole question of the financial resources and its distribution as between the Centre and the provinces and a machinery to deal with the allocation should be examined by an expert Committee and its report incorporated in the constitution. The House would thus have an opportunity to discuss it at a later stage.

The House adopted the motion for consideration by an overwhelming majority, six members opposing the motion.

The House proceeded to discuss amendments.

The Assembly adjourned till tomorrow.

SALARIES OF NEW INDIAN GOVERNORS

NEW DELHI, Aug. 21 (API): The salaries of Governors have been reduced by the India (Provisional Constitution) Order.

The order brings down the salaries of all Governors uniformly to Rs. 66,000 per annum, but exempts the present incumbents of two Governorships (Bombay and Madras) who are staying on.

Before the 15th August their salaries ranged from Rs. 1,20,000 per annum in the case of Madras, Bombay, Bengal and the United Provinces, Rs. 100,000 for the Punjab and Bihar Governorships, Rs. 72,000 in the case of the Central Provinces and Rs. 66,000 each for the Governors of Assam and Orissa.

Since the salaries of Governors are not free of income-tax the effective net salary of a Governor after the 15th August is about Rs. 3,000 a month.

GERARD WINS BR. EMPIRE TROPHY MOTOR RACE

DOUGLAS, (Isle of Man), Aug. 21. (Reuter): F. R. Gerard, driving a super-charged E. R. A. won the first post-war British Empire Trophy motor race here today and Prince Birabonose of Siam in a French SIMCA won the junior race for Manx Cup.

Gerard covered the course of 155 miles in two hours 16 minutes and 52 seconds at an average speed of 68.02 miles per hour.

Prince Bira won the Manx Cup over 46 1/2 miles in 42 minutes and 17 seconds at an average speed of 66.05 m.p.h.

Finanace Member's Press Conference Today

NEW DELHI, August 21. (A.P.I.): The U. K. High Commissioner Sir Terence Shone called on the Finance Member Mr. R. K. Shanmukham Chetty today and is understood to have handed over a communication from H. M. G. on the Sterling-Dollar Crisis.

The Finance Member is holding a press conference tomorrow afternoon on the arrangements regarding Sterling Balances.

BRITAIN'S ULTIMATUM TO JEWISH REFUGEES

Disembark At French Port Or Off To British Zone Of Germany

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter): Britain today issued an ultimatum to the 4,400 Jewish refugees on board the three British transports, who for the past three weeks have refused to land at Port De Bouc on the south coast of France, that unless they disembarked at 17-00 hours G.M.T tomorrow, they would immediately be sent to the British zone of Germany and taken off the ships.

Announcing this, the British Foreign Office did not identify the disembarkation point, but Jewish Agency authorities here said Hamburg was the transports' destination.

The British Government was satisfied, the Foreign Office statement said, that the Jewish Agency had sufficient influence to persuade the Jews (who last July 18, were intercepted on board the "President Warfield", renamed "Exodus" 1947, while attempting to enter Palestine) to land in France where they had obtained forged documents and whence their ship had sailed without permission.

SPONTANEOUS REFUSAL TO LAND

A Jewish Agency spokesman said today that the refugees' refusal to land was an entirely spontaneous action and even if the Agency personally appealed to them there was not the slightest prospect that they could be prevailed upon to disembark.

The British Zone of Germany, the British statement said, was the only territory under British jurisdiction outside Cyprus, where such a large number of people could be adequately housed and fed at short notice.

Since France has offered asylum to all these Jews none of them were under obligation to proceed to Germany unless of their own choice they declined the French offer.

"HOLD YOUR HAND"

An indignant rejection and an urgent appeal to Britain to hold your hand" was the Jewish Agency's answer tonight to the British ultimatum to the Jewish refugees aboare the three transports off the south coast of France.

A letter to Mr. Trafford Smith of the Colonial Office from Mr. Berl Locker, member of the Jewish Agency, turned down flatly the suggestion that it should try to persuade the 4,400 refugees to land in France before 5 p.m. (G.M.T.) tomorrow.

Mr. Locker told a Press Conference here that he had heard that the British Consul at Marseilles and British Embassy officials from Paris had boarded one of the ships and read out the British Government's decision. They were answered by unanimous cries of "We are not disembarking".

Mr. Locker read a telegram he had received from the immigrants on board the three British transports reaffirming their determination to land in Palestine only.

HEBREW COMMITTEE'S WARNING

PARIS, Aug. 21 (Reuter): The Hebrew Committee of National Liberation today called on the 4,000 Jewish refugees at Post De Bouc to reject the British ultimatum telling them to land in France or be transported to British Zone of Germany.

The Committee declared: "We rely on the heroism of the refugees to refuse to disembark".

A Hebrew Committee spokesman warned that there would be "trouble in Palestine as a result of this British ultimatum. There will also be trouble if the British persist in their plan to transport the refugees to Hamburg", he said. The German people will object to being treated as a British colony and a "dumping ground".

PRECAUTIONS IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Aug. 21 (UPA): High Commissioner Alan Cunningham's announcement that the Jewish refugees on the "President Warfield" would be shipped to Hamburg inspired Military Police precautions without precedent except when the Hagana openly defied the British administration more than a year ago.

The Army and Police alike obviously expected violent reaction from Jewish communities embracing moderates and extremists. Jewish Agency circles feared they would be unable to prevent Hagana from some sort of retaliatory action while the Stern Gang and Irgun also were expected to go into action soon.

EXPLOSION ROCKS HAIFA

JERUSALEM, Aug. 21 (UPA): An explosion rocked Haifa early today near the Socony Vacuum Company's works. It was officially announced. The damage was reported to be slight without casualties. Details were expected later.

MILITARY TRUCK BLOWN UP

One soldier was seriously injured today when a military truck was blown up by an electrically detonated mine on the outskirts of Nathanya.

ARAB VIOLENCE IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Aug. 21 (APA): While the Holy Land was awaiting a recrudescence of terrorist activity after a week free from violence, the sirens today wailed the general alarm for the first time in recent years because of Arab violence in Jerusalem.

Cause of the alarm calling troops to action stations was officially reported by the army to be an Arab bomb which demolished an Arab hardware store suspected of breaking the boycott against dealing with the Jews.

INDIA'S ONLY WAY OUT OF DOLLAR 'IMPASSE'

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respondingly reduced Britain's short term liabilities. Whitehall believes that the lack of confidence in sterling is only temporary. But its passing will not itself relieve the world Dollar scarcity and Britain can no longer bear the brunt of the latter.

BASIS OF NEW TRADING SYSTEM

The true meaning of Britain's momentous step is that the British Government intends to use the Nation's remaining gold and Dollar reserves as the basis of a new trading system based on the world outside the Dollar area."

It is the signal for a tremendous effort by Britain to scour the world for non-dollar supplies, while straining every nerve at home to produce the means of paying for them.

It does not imply that Britain will be forced to reopen negotiations with the Soviet Union for an exchange of Soviet grain with British machinery.

ANGLO-SOVIET TRADE TALKS' ECHO

It was disclosed today that if the Anglo-Soviet trade talks which broke down on July 24 last had resulted in an agreement on the Soviet terms, the Russians would have accumulated over the next few years a large balance of Sterling whose convertibility into Dollars Britain would have to guarantee.

After initially demanding full payment in British goods, the Soviet Union indicated willingness to accept part payment in Sterling if Britain would guarantee this would always be convertible into Dollars. This guarantee Britain refused to give.

So long as the Soviet Union demanded full payment in British machinery and other goods, which Britain could otherwise sell for dollars, for proffered Soviet grain, there was no more advantage in buying from Russia than in buying from the United States or Argentina, unless Soviet prices were appreciably lower than those across the Atlantic.

As the Soviet Delegation also demanded further concessions on the existing Soviet debt, Britain would have been worse off.

The vital question now is: what countries are prepared to accept part payment from Britain in Sterling not convertible into Dollars.

POSITION OF CANADA & ARGENTINA

The most urgent task of Britain's economic directors is to reintegrate Canada with the Sterling area. For the moment Canada is severed, but some new trading basis whereby Britain can pay for Canadian supplies must and will be found, because Canadian supplies, especially wheat, are even more vital to Britain than United States supplies.

Second most urgent task concerns the position of Argentina after last night's drastic measure, and the situation here is considerably more obscure.

BR FARMERS TO BATTLE CRISIS

Govt. Offers Subsidies & Grants & "Absolutely Assured Market"

LONDON, August 21. (Reuter). Battle orders were today issued to Britain's farmers for the toughest fight they have ever had to face—to step up output by £100,000,000 within four years and so ease the crushing burden of food purchases abroad which represent more than half the country's dollar imports.

Launching the new programme today, Mr. Tom Williams, 59-year old Minister of Agriculture, said it involved "an immense effort greatly surpassing the highest known output of the Agricultural industry."

Failure to achieve the target, he told a private meeting of the farmers unions, and later a press conference in London this morning, would mean under-nourishment or widespread unemployment or both for the peoples of this island.

GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAMME

"The Government's programme is essentially one of reviving and expanding the production of meat and eggs, restoring part of the wartime expansion of wheat and barley and adding to the croparea no less than 400,000 acres of linseed."

One-half of the expansion should arise from higher efficiency and one-half from additions to the resources of the industry, he said.

Next year the wheat acreage would be increased by about half-million acres. The number of pigs would be trebled by 1951-52.

"ABSOLUTELY ASSURED MARKET"

Mr. Williams told the farmers that the programme would be achieved by giving them an "absolutely assured market" raising prices and giving subsidies and grants, recruiting foreign labour, giving the industry first priority for buildings, housing and machinery, and a large number of other detailed assistance including such items as free service from beef bulls maintained by artificial insemination centres.

"Even with this new programme we shall still have to import very great quantities of food," he declared.

"No situation during the war was more serious than that confronting the nation at the moment. The farmers now have the greatest opportunities in their lives without coercion to see what they can do for a country in desperate straits. The issue lies with them.

"Even if exports targets are achieved in full, the nation cannot, except through a large expansion in agricultural production, simultaneously provide itself both with foodstuffs to produce an adequate diet and industrial raw materials to sustain the level of employment."

DALTON'S NOTE TO U.S. TREASURY

Measures To Check Run On Dollars

LONDON, August 20 (Reuter): In a letter to Mr. John Snyder, United States Secretary of the Treasury, announcing the British decision to halt convertibility of Sterling, the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton, said that the British Government had found it necessary to take "immediate stringent measures to counter the recent excessive drain on their Dollar resources." Mr. Dalton said the British Government "could not propose to notify any further withdrawal beyond those already notified from the line of credit", under the financial agreement, until after consultation with the United States Government.

Mr. Snyder sent a reply to Mr. Dalton, the text of which is given in a Reuter message from Washington.

In this he says the United States Government "takes sympathetic note of Britain's action in halting the convertibility of sterling."

He adds that the drains on Britain's dollar resources "have run at a rate greatly in excess of the multilateral payments system which is a major objective of the Anglo-American financial agreement."

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

The Kid Brother has improved on his last performance on Independence Day Races when he tipped the double "Loyal" to "New India".

To be impartial he felt he ought to have a Pakistan double to follow the Id. He tipped "Crescendo" (Crescent) to "New Moon".

It's easy—if you have the right idea.

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The inside story of the situation in Amritsar, Ambala and the Punjab in general will make sensational reading when the full story is told—if ever. Right now, I hear that the man of the moment is a high ranking official who at a high-level meeting recently on the Punjab situation boldly asked Pandit Nehru, "Sir, we would like to have here and now a clear enunciation of the Government's policy with regard to these disturbances. Some of us have been somewhat vague as to what the Government's policy is".

The words may not be accurate. The substance is.

Of course, Pandit Nehru laid down the policy—but the fact that so high ranking an official should have felt the need to ask is an interesting fact.

Full marks go to this official for his courage in speaking out. This is the type of stuff of which the new India should be made.

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Here is a small problem for the Royal Western India Turf Club to solve. With the division of India and the division of sport also—are colts and fillies bred in the Pakistan zone studs eligible to run as Indian breds.

Will they be eligible for the classic this year?

I ask for a Turf Club ruling on this point.

If a horse bred in Pakistan can run as a countrybred here, why not an English or Australian horse?

Why ban the Arabs?

What a mess we are in.

FRENCH TO NEGOTIATE WITH HO CHI MINH

Paris Cabinet Decision On Indo-China Issue

PARIS, Aug. 21 (Reuter): The French Government has reached agreement on peace proposals for Indo-China, the terms of which may be finally approved at a special meeting either tonight or sometime tomorrow it was learned officially tonight.

M. Emile Bollaert French High Commissioner in Indo-China on leaving today's restricted Cabinet meeting said: "Full accord has virtually been achieved. It remains for a full Cabinet meeting to work out a few more details and approve the Government's proposals as a whole".

The new proposals were not made known, but were reported by well-informed sources to represent Government agreement to negotiate with Dr. Ho Chi Minh, Viet Nam Nationalist leader, along with other personalities.

Throne Of The Gods.

Exclusive pictures taken by the Swiss Himalaya Expedition, illustrating the life of the inhabitants of the roof of the world, in next Bombay Chronicle Weekly.

Some Incidents of '42

Miss Usha Mehta, the 'Congress Radio Girl' recalls some of the lighter moments of the "Do or Die".

Nightmare Journey

The twilight hour of shattered Germany is oppressed with a mighty sadness . . . Dispatch from our roving Correspondent.

Manners For The Million

Etiquette is the Americans' biggest headache, after the Atom bomb!

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CARNEGIE HALL

Players: Marsha Hunt, Hans Jaray, William Prince, Martha O'Driscoll.

Conforming to the modern trend of introducing classical music as part of a film story, the present film provides excellent musical fare; but the plot, here, is in fact innocuous and merely used as a peg on which are hung some fine turns by opera and music celebrities, a list of whose names sounds like a benefit performance.

Actually shot in New York's famous Carnegie Hall, the film starts with its opening in 1891, when Nora Ryan, an Irish orphan, comes to live with her aunt, a charwoman at the Hall. With the passage of time, Nora falls in love with an alcoholic pianist whose sudden death leaves her with Tony, their baby son, to support. she becomes a charwoman herself and inculcates in Tony a love of music.

In the years that the son takes to grow up, many notables perform in Carnegie Hall—conductors Stokowski and Bruno Walter, opera singers Lily Pons and Rise Stevens, violinist Heifetz, pianist Arthur Rubinstein and also Vaughn Monroe and Harry James. What a galaxy! You can decide to forget poor Nora's troubles while your ear takes in the pleasing sounds, and you are bound to go away heartened when Nora realises her life-long ambition to hear the grown-up Tony play on the piano in Carnegie Hall.

As Nora, Marsha Hunt has a fat part of which she makes full use, not even being swamped by the celebrities. William Prince in the role of her son is adequate, while Martha O'Driscoll lends love interests as Tony's sweetheart of whom his mother disapproves because she feels the girl is taking him away from his music. But when all is said and done, it is the stars of the music world who must take a bow for this picture.

A feast of good music, with little dramatic interest in the story.

Stale Fare This Week

'Carnegie Hall': Feast of Good Music —Garfield and Crawford Shine in "Humoresque"—Pleasing Metro Musical—Hope-Lamour Capers

Strand

HUMORESQUE (Warner Bros.)

Players: Joan Crawford, John Garfield, Oscar Levant, Paul Cavanagh. Director: Jean Negulesco.

Drama and music make a happy blend in this film, even though the latter is apt, at times, to arrest the development of the plot. But there is a good excuse for the introduction—however disjointed—of some fine music, for the principal character is a violinist who, incidentally, looks more like a prize-fighter.

Joan Crawford once again rises to dizzy heights as a dipsomaniac society woman whose boredom leads her to patronise art. She converts what is actually an unsympathetic part into a poignant characterisation that wins your sympathy for the pro-

SEEING THE SHOWS WITH "SARDI"

found loneliness of Helen Wright's empty life. While John Garfield does not convince one he could be a virtuoso such as Paul Boray, the East side violinist whom he portrays, he lends the story rugged strength during its dramatic over-tones.

The film mounts to a crescendo when Helen Wright immolates herself rather than burden Paul's existence with her gin-swilling, neurotic habits. However, the finale sounds a false note in view of Crawford's rendering of the role, which is so sympathetic as to make one feel disappointed at her undeserving exit.

The morbid story is considerably relieved from gloom by Oscar Levant, as Sid Jeffers, who speaks many a true word in jest, bringing home his cynicism with the surest of cuts.

Dvorak's "Humoresque" Bach's G. Minor Sonata, Sarasate's "Zigeunerweisen" and extracts from Wagner's "Tristan Und Isolde", lend a fine dash to this dramatic coctail.

Enchanting—like smoking opium.

Metro

IT HAPPENED IN BROOKLYN (M.G.M.)

Players: Frank Sinatra, Peter Lawford, Kathryn Grayson. Director: Richard Whorf.

Sentiment piled on thick in the treacliest American manner—yet, thank goodness, a slender vein of pathos, scarcely perceptible save to the discerning, lifts this film out of the general rut of sentimentality.

Strange goings-on can there be in Brooklyn, to uphold the boast of whose hospitality a native may even surrender his best girl to his rival. Sounds incredible, doesn't it? So it would be but for Frank Sinatra who, as the unselfish guy, has caught a spark from Chaplin's tramp that brings a lump to your throat

As the little man's friend who wins the girl, Peter Lawford is colourless and makes you feel that Kathryn Grayson of the gorgeous voice has bad taste in men! But who cares, when one can hear her sing the Temple Song from "Lakhme", and a duet with Sinatra from 'Don Giovani"?

The infusion of pathos prevents the film's mandlin tendencies from gaining ascendency.

Pleasing entertainment.

Garfield Crawford in "Humoresque" (Strand).

Martha O'Driscoll and William Prince in "Carnegie Hall" (Excelsior).

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Regal

MY FAVOURITE BRUNETTE (Paramount)

Players: Dorothy Lamour, Bob Hope, Lon Chaney, Peter Lorre. Director: Elliot Nugent.

When Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour get together, the maddest of merry escapades may be expected. When Peter Lorre and Lon Chaney decide to join forces with them, it is like visiting a mental home.

You are, of course, not supposed to believe the story, for there is no room for logic when lunatics are let loose. So Bob Hope gambols through the film as a children's photographer with a penchant for detective work. He lands slap-bang into it when a woman woodenly played by Lamour, takes him for a real sleuth (actually a "bit" part played by Alan Ladd) and entices him to undertake a mission—that ends with him in the lock-up. To thicken the fog he receives his freedom in an outlandish climax. How does it happen? Don't ask me. The fog was much too thick.

Peter Lorre's "felt" voice and Lon Chaney's Wolf Man gurgle make one squirm while Lamour and Hope drive one crazy, as they are meant to do, for have we not strayed into a lunatic asylum?

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RETURN FILMS

PALACE (Byculla): "Of Human Bondage"—Paul Henreid, Bette Davis.
AURORA (Matunga): "Great Expectations"—Valerie Hobson, John Mills.

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SUNDAY MORNING SHOWS

AURORA—10-30 a.m.: "Two Years Before The Mast"—Alan Ladd.
PALACE—10-30 a.m.: "Frenchman's Creek"—Arthuro de Cordova.
STRAND—10-30 a.m.: "One More Tomorrow"—Dennis Morgan.
RIVOLI—10-30 a.m.: "Joe Palooka Champ"—.

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Compromise Between Leaguers And Nationalist Muslims

Agreement Signed By Leaders Of Respective Parties In Madras

MADRAS, August 21 (U.P.I.): An agreement to the effect that the Muslims of the Muslim League Party and the Muslims of the Congress Party would sink their differences and would see that their relationship was one of good-will, friendship and cordiality in the future, was signed by Mr. Mahomed Ibrahim, the Congress Muslim leader on behalf of the nationalist Muslims of Melappalaiyam in the Tinnevelly District and Mr. Mahomed Uthuman Mr. Mahomed Lebbai and two other League leaders on behalf of the League Muslims.

The agreement was printed in handbills which were widely circulated in the town and surrounding areas.

Considerable importance is being attached to the above agreement since on the Independence Day immediately after the flag hoisting ceremony a clash occurred between the nationalist Muslims and the Leaguers of the place and the police opened fire, as a result of which three persons died.

WHY DR. HASAN RESIGNED

Sequel To Pt. Shukla's Speech

NAGPUR, Aug. 13.

Following Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla, Prime Minister and Leader of Congress Assembly Party's instruction Dr. Hasan, Minister of Health, has tendered resignation with request to allow him to remain in office till the Independence Day. According to Congress High Command's directive Dr. Hasan, Minister of Health, had expressed regret but it was not accepted by leader and Dr. Hasan was asked to quit the office as he had lost confidence of the leader by lodging complaint against him to Mahatma Gandhi against the latter's reported speech which was referred to by Mahatma Gandhi few days ago at prayer time meeting. This speech upset Dr. Hasan and he wrote to Mahatma Gandhi. Pt. Shukla rushed to Sardar Patel and Pt. Nehru and threatened to resign if he was not allowed to take disciplinary action against Dr. Hasan for writing the letter without his knowledge to Mahatma Gandhi. The Premier, it is reported, made a point of honour on this issue when Congress High Command issued advice to Dr. Hasan to apologise or to resign. In response to this advice Dr. Hasan tendered an apology but the apology was not accepted and Dr. Hasan was asked to resign immediately. According to talks current in political circles Acharya Dada Dharmadhikari, M.L.A. and leader of Nagpur Province M.L.A.'s was not consulted at all and all M.L.A.'s who have access to High Command, have been warned that no indiscipline will be tolerated henceforth by their going always to Congress High Command against the Ministry. Quite a sensation prevails by this crisis. Members of Congress Assembly party are watching developments and are very cautious before they take any move. One important Congress leader of Nagpur Province has left for Delhi and sensational developments are expected.—Central News.

BARODA MEMORIAL FOR MAHATMA

Full-size Statue To Be Erected In Heart Of City

BARODA, August 21 (API).—A full-size statue of Mahatma Gandhi in bronze is to be erected in the heart of Baroda to commemorate the services of the Mahatma to the nation in achieving independence. The statue is estimated to cost about Rs. 50,000.

An appeal has been issued by the Baroda State Prajamandal Party to the public for raising a fund constituted for this purpose.

A committee has been appointed to supervise the work and it is expected that the work will be completed before the Gandhi Jayanti celebrations this year.

SEPARATE ELECTORATES ABOLISHED IN ASSAM

vested in him under the Adaptation Clause in the Government of India Act of 1935, and in pursuance of the advice tendered by his Cabinet abolishing separate electorates and introducing joint electorates for the purpose of elections to the legislature or other bodies.

This order will have effect from August 15 last and all future elections in Assam will be held on the basis of joint electorates.

SHILLONG, Aug. 21. (U.P.I.): Assam is going to be the first province in the whole of the Indian Dominion to scrap separate electorates and introduce joint electorates for the purpose of elections to the provincial legislatures or other representative bodies.

This position will follow from an "order issued by the Governor of Assam in exercise of special powers

BAHAWALPUR STATE JOINS PAKISTAN

KARACHI, Aug. 21 (API): Bahawalpur State, it is reliably learned, has decided to join the Pakistan Constituent Assembly.

A Standstill Agreement has been concluded between the Pakistan Dominion Government and the Government of Bahawalpur State.

PAKISTAN TO HONOUR AGREEMENT WITH INDIA

Mr. Ghaznafarali Khan, Minister for Food, Agriculture and Health in the Pakistan Government, in an interview today declared that his Government would honour the food agreement with the Indian Union and that they would supply full quota of foodgrains allotted to the deficit areas.

PAKISTAN JOB FOR ROWLANDS

Sir Archibald Rowlands former Finance Member of the Government of India, has been appointed Adviser to the Governor-General of Pakistan, it is announced here.

It is understood that Mr. George Alleyne Browne, Assistant Canadian Trade Commissioner at Bombay, has been appointed acting Trade Commissioner in Pakistan. He will shortly open his office at Karachi.

BRITAIN'S QUITTING INDIA WITHOUT 'IFS' AND 'BUTS'

'Nation' Of America Pays Tribute To Nehru, Gandhi & Mountbatten

NEW YORK Aug. 21. (Reuter): Other Empires might take note of the way England has left India with no 'ifs' and 'buts' and without the shame of a colonial war, declares the American liberal magazine "The Nation". It asserts editorially: "Credit must go to England's statesmen and to India's statesmen, to the Labour Government and Lord Mountbatten, to Mr. Gandhi and Pandit Nehru. Problems that the new Governments face are vast enough. They are problems of food, of a complex system of administration, of introducing new methods of agriculture and industry. They are the problems of vested interests both political and economic and of bringing to realisation the ideals of social justice for which many of India's leaders have fought. They are India's problems and for the first time India has the chance to solve them.

"Let no friends of freedom become impatient if the process is slow and arduous".

INDIAN KILLED IN SINGAPORE SHOOTING

SINGAPORE, August 21, A.P.A.): One Indian road-repairing labourer was shot dead today and another Indian seriously injured in a shooting incident in Singapore docks where between 8,000 and 10,000 dock labourers have gone on strike in sympathy.

Big Deficit In India Budget

NEW DELHI, August 20 (A.P.I.): The revised budget estimates show that the estimated deficit will be larger than anticipated last February, it is learnt.

The net estimated deficit for 1947-48 has been increased by 12½ crores of rupees to about 29½ crores. This increase is in consequence of certain modifications agreed to regarding the amendment of the Income Tax and Excess Profits Tax. In addition, it is pointed out, Government expenditure will be increased following the implementation by the Government of its resolution on the Pay Commission's report, involving an amount of about 30 crores.

It is also learnt that the Army Budget was underestimated and it is now computed that it will come to about Rs. 220 crores, following an addition of 40 crores to the original estimates.

It is pointed out that these estimates refer to India before partition. Nevertheless the conclusion that the deficit will be greater than anticipated remains unaltered, as the decrease in expenditure will be balanced by a proportionate decrease in revenue.

Molotov's Message To Nehru

NEW DELHI, Aug. 20. (A.P.I.): M. Vyacheslav Molotov, Foreign Minister of the Soviet Union, in a message to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru says:

"I request you, Mr. Minister to accept the congratulations of the Soviet Government and my personal ones together with very best wishes to you and the Indian people on the occasion of the national celebration in India of Independence Day".

Pandit Nehru has replied to M. Molotov.

114 BAGS OF SILVER COINS SEIZED

KARACHI, Aug. 21, (A. P. I.): The Custome Officials here yesterday seized silver coins valued at Rs. 2,28,000 contained in 114 bags shipped from Koweit to a merchant in Cutch State on board S. S. "Dumra".

World "Food Parliament"

LAKE SUCCESS, Aug. 21 (Reuter): The first annual review of the world's agricultural position to be presented to delegates of 50 nations at the Conference of the Food and Agricultural Organisation recommended that a "Food Parliament "be set up" as a clear necessity to beat shortages".

The review thought that in view of the grain shortage the Geneva Conference might wish to advise Governments taking part to pay particular attention to measures of economy, and to the continuation of the international allocation programme for another year.

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General Liquidation In Share Bazar After Firm Opening

COTTON PRICES REACH FLOOR LEVEL

Silver Quiet But Gold Improves On Steady Support

BOMBAY, Aug. 21

The Share Bazar was influenced by reported deficit in the Central Budget, the action of Britain in connection with sterling and reduction in steel production. There was general liquidation by recent buyers.

Cotton market was weak on increased long liquidation and some business was reported below floor level.

Silver prices declined on moderate liquidation but gold was very steady on increased demand on reports of non-convertibility of sterling.

The Bombay Stock Exchange opened very steady with quotations moderately over the previous close. There was scattered buying but soon active long liquidation appeared and the market developed reactionary tendency. The selling continued throughout the session and quotations were marked down. The increased selling pressure in Steel Shares also induced moderate liquidation in mill shares and the market feeling became easier with poor support.

Tata Steel Dfds. opened at Rs. 1992 and advanced at Rs 2015 but declined at Rs. 1965. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 394 and improved at Rs. 397 but gave way at Rs. 388/8. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs 1062 and improved at Rs. 1072 but eased off at Rs. 1050. Kohinoors opened at Rs. 577 and after improving at Rs 580 declined at Rs. 568 but steadied at Rs. 572.

As a net result of day's working Tata Steel Dfds. declined Rs. 11, Ordinary Rs. 3, Bombay Dyeing Rs. 7/8, Kohinoor Rs. 6, Swadeshi Rs. 6 and Simplex Rs. 3.

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 1050 Kohinoor 568 Swadeshi 596 Nagpur 306 Simplex X. R. 231 New Great 303 Gokak 315 Indore 631/4 Century 982/8 Colaba 240 I. Bleaching 156 Swan 352 Finlay 298 Morarji 530 Edward 700 Meyer 232/8 Apollo 4/2 I. U. Ordinary 15/14 I. U Pfd. 2/14 Madhusudan 290 Poddar 115 Khatau 295

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord 388 Tata Steel Defd 1965 Second 162/8

CEMENT

Associated Merger 164

INDUSTRIES

Burma 477/8 Belsundhur 269 Shivrajpur 38 Scindia 31/4 Construction 195 Tata Chemical 13/12 Tata Oil 70 Indian Iron 36/6 Bengal Steel 29/6

ELECTRIC SHARES

Tram Ord 120 Tata Hydro 173 Andhra 1625 Power 1720

MILLS (CASH)

Elphinstone 86 Phoenix 1202/8 Kooria 290 Dawn 1545 David 148/12 New City 221/4 Minerva 211/14 Bradbury 608/12 Bharucha (Dfd) 7/15 Bhandup 61 Mysore 300 Madhavji 19 Model 186/4 Laxmi 1625 Vishnu 615 Western 3650 Standard 501/4 Sholapur 6125 Sassoon Cotton 18/8 Hindustani 4125 Tata 79/8 Ahmedabad Advance 447/4 Sassoon Silk 75/8 New Union 19/12 Madhusudan 280 Shrinivas 400 Raja Bahadur 116/4 Berar 260 Victoria 425 Kohinoor Cpn. 64.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH)

Ahmedabad 145 (New) 108/12 Surat 243/12 New Prem 170 Karachi 160 Broach 12/12 Ajmer 12/8 Amalgamated 20/4 Nagpur 56/8 Poona 205 Bombay Suburban 158/12 Bombay Suburban (New) Prem. 90

BANK SHARES

Reserve 117 Imperial 2235 P P 557/8 Central X R 97/4 Coupon 22/8 India 235/8 Union 10/14 Baroda 164 Habib 169/8 Dena Bank 60 United Commercial 76/8 Jaipur 60 Hindustan Com. 48 Mysore 390 Exchange (Ord.) 48 Eastern 105

INSURANCE

Oriental 5625 Empire 755 New India 79 Jupiter 31/8 Vulcan 15/10 Indian Mercantile 21 Universal Fire 14/8 British India General 22 Neptune 13/6 New Great 27 All-India General 32

RAILWAYS

C. P. 103 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Pachora 100

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 661/4 Steamer 557/8 Burma New 166/4 Burma Petrol 3/10 Mackenzie 165 Port Canning 76 Kenyo 480 Zandu Pharmacy 202/8 Indian Investment Trust 103/4 Wimco 283/2 Dharamsey Chemical 35/8 Mukund Iron 12/2 Dena Trust 20 Alembic 310 Supreme India 180 Jamwire 113/12 Bombay Uganda 80 Bombay Motor Cycle 37 India Cement 35 Falchand Nagar Industries 325 United Motor 65 A.C.C. New 93/8 Bombay Safe Deposit 835

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 215 Tram 50 Andhra Valley 1405 Tata Power 1461/4 Hydro 140 Bombay Steamer 341/4 Magpur 702/8 Swadeshi 146/4 Vishnu 82/8 Laxmi 307/8 New Great 268/12 Poddar 115 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 126/4 Bradbury 537/8 Surat Elec 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 127/8 (Second Pref.) 123/8 Amalgamated 138 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 115 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 18 Supreme 120 Meyer 125 Mackenzie First 127/8 Mackenzie Second 125 Ahd. Advance 145 Mysore Mill 51 Standard 100

DEBENTURES

Andhra 1952 (4) 103/8 B. Steamer 1959 (8) 106/12 I Hume Pipe (6) 111 Tata Power 1951—102/8 Walchandnagar (6) 117 Tata Chemical (4) 104 Acme Mfg. (6) 107 Cooper Eng. (6) 107

OUTSIDE SHARES

Indian Copper 3/10 B.I.C 9/8 Burma Corporation 4/13 New Victoria 5/8 New Victoria Preference 7 Raja 36 Phalton 110 Gold Mohor 305 Kaiser-i-Hind 380 Sajjan 280 Osmanshahi 290 Ajamshahi 250 Air Services 13/12 Air India 193/12 Birla Motor 8/6 Marshal 7/4 I. Steam 15/5

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Aug. 21.

Once again the local cotton market was quiet today with restricted turnover which resulted in narrow price movement.

Traders are anxiously awaiting the final decision of the Board of Directors in connection with trading in New Crop months. The weekly meeting is scheduled tomorrow.

The market opened today at Rs. 431 for September delivery and declined at Rs. 430/8 under scattered liquidation

Later on there was increased selling and September was offered at Rs 428/8.

Later on scattered business was reported privately at Rs 428/12. The Government of India has allowed forward trading with the consent of the Bombay Government with the existing floor and ceiling prices. The market finally closed as under:—

I.C.C. Sept- (nominal) .. 430 0 0

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, Aug. 21.

The Bullion market developed irregular price movement to-day with increased buying in gold and moderate selling in silver. The buying in gold was prompted by unfounded rumours of freezing of sterling.

At the opening forward silver was quoted at Rs. 174/6 and declined at Rs. 173/8 on moderate long liquidation. Ready silver was quoted at a premium of rupee one at Rs. 174/8.

Gold market was active with rapid price movement. Forward gold opened at Rs. 111/4 and rose to Rs. 111/12 on speculative buying but declined at Rs. 111 on increased realising. Thereafter there was renewed buying and the market rallied at Rs 111/8. Ready gold was placed at Rs. 111/12 and sovereigns were quoted at Rs 74.

The market finally closed as under:

	Rs. as. p.
Ready Silver	174 0 0
Forward Silver	173 6 0
Ready Gold	111 12 0
Forward Gold	111 10 0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Aug. 21.

The produce market was steady on speculative support. Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 136/8 and improved at Rs. 137/6 but reached at Rs. 136/15. Groundnuts new crop November/December Khandesh quality was quoted at Rs. 30/4 and Bold at Rs. 29/14. Linseed ready was placed at Rs. 32. August was quoted at Rs. 31/10 and September/October was quoted at Rs. 31/6. Other quotations were unchanged. Groundnut Oil September was quoted at Rs. 20/9, October Rs. 20/6 and November Rs. 19/5.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, August 21.

Tata Ordinary 360; Tata Deferred 1965; Indian Iron 36/14; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 29/6; Bombay Dyeing 1050; Central India 306/4; Gokak 315; Kohinoor 568/2; Simplex 231; Swadeshi 596/4; Tata Power 1730; Associated Cement 164; Bejapur 268/12; Bombay Burma (Old) 477/8; Scindia 31/14; Central Bank X. R. 97/8; New India 78/12; Tata 2nd Pref. 162/8.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton September Contract is 1576 cent points below New York October at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

BOMBAY, August 19.

	Hi.	Low.	Close.
September	431/14	430/4	431/4

KUTCH HUNDI

BHUJ, Aug. 20.

Hundi 269 to 270. Gold 104 and Silver 155.

WORTH STREET ACTIVITY QUIET

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (UPA). Activity remained quiet in print cloth during today's session of the Worth Street Cotton Cloth Market. Sellers reported sustained inquiry for the first quarter delivery at firm prices, but the limited amount of goods available was necessarily restricted. The decline in raw cotton prices is being watched but the trend has little influence on the fabric situation. Executives insisted that the sold up position of the mills and the possibility of further wage increases to mill workers overshadowed the trend in raw cotton.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES.

Bombay, Aug. 21.

MILLS

Apollo 4/1/6 4/3/6 4/2/6 4/3 4/2
Bharat 51
B. Dyeing 1062/8 72/8 55 72/8 50 55 47/8 50
C. India 309 10 5/8 7 6 7 5 6
E. Textiles 700
Finlay 298 304 300 1 298
Gokak 321 18 20 17 18 15
I. U. Defd 2/15 3 2/14/6 2/15 2/14
I U. Ord 16 16/2 16/0/6 16/1 15/15 15/15/6 15/14
Indore 632/8 35 32/8 37/8 30 31/4
Kohinoor 577 80 74 76 73 74 68 74 67 68
David 148/12
Meyer 230 33/12 32/8
Model 185 86/4
New Great 381 84 79
Podar 325
Simplex 327 42 38 39 29 31
Swadeshi 608 7 10 600 3 598 602 395
Swan 352
Vishnu 613/12 15

BANKS

Baroda 164/8 64
Central 99/8 100 99/8 100 97/4 97/8 97/4 (Ex Div)
Imperial Old 2250 35 35
Imperial New 560 65 57/8
India 235 36/8
Reserve 117 117/8 17
Union 10/14 11 10/14
U. Commercial 76 76/8 76

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 146/4 45
Andhra Valley 1627/8 25
Ajmer 12/8
B. Tram Ord 120/4 20/8 20 21 20
B. Suburban 159/6 58/12
Hydro 173 73/8 73
Power 1725 30

INSURANCE

B. I. General 21
New India 79 80 79
Jupiter 31/8

STEAMER

B. Steam 557/8
B. Steam Pref. 341/4
Scindia 32/6 32/9 32/2 32/3 31/12 32 31/12 31/14

STEEL

B. Steel 29 29/9 29/4 29/8 29/6
I Iron 37/4 37/7 37 37/2 36/14
Tata Defd 1992/8 2012/8 10 15 1995 97/8 87/8 2002/8 1975 85 80 90 62/8 66
Tata Ord 394 97 90 91 87/8 88
Tata 2nd Pref 162/8

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 662/8 70 62/8 65 61/4
A. C. C. Old 166/8 67 63/12 64/8 63/12 64
A. C. C. New 99/8 100 98/8
Belapur 265 75 72 73 69 71 69
B. B. Old 485 90 78/12 80 75 77/8
B. B. New 167/8 65 66/4
B. B. Petrol 3/9 3/10
I. I. Trust 103/4
P. Construction 199 201 199 200 197 93 94 95
P. 1st Pref 127 27/8
Tata Chemical 14 14/2 13/12
Tata Oil 70 71 70
Wimco 283/12 85 83/2

SPECIAL

Central Coupon 22 22/8
Central Bank New 99 (Ex Div)
Ahmedabad Electric New 110 8/12

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Aug. 20.

Once again little has transpired in stock markets outside that of the Kaffir section where the best prices were not fully maintained owing to considerable profit taking but a harder tendency was noticeable at the close. Domestic issues spent a quiet day with fresh uncertainty being caused by reports of likely changes in the British cabinet. Industrials showed small losses but the gilt edged section was without alteration. In the oil market movements were narrow and with slight bias towards lower levels. Foreign bond revealed little movement but foreign rails; particularly Argentines, turned easier in the later stages.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Aug. 20.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 p c	83-1/2
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	104-1/4
War Loan 3-1/2 p c 15952 and after	102-3/8
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	111-1/2
Victory Bonds 4 p c	111-3/4
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	11-3/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (Lon. Reg.)	113
National Bank of India	34

LONDON BULLION

London, Aug. 20.

Silver Spot	48 d
Silver Forward	42 d
Gold	£8/12/3

LONDON WHEAT

London, Aug. 20.

Australian Wheat (bulk) F. O. B.	103 Aug/Sept.

LONDON SILVER RISES TO 42 PENCE PER OUNCE

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (UPA). Silver rose to 42 pence per ounce on the London market today due to riotous buying and the price remained steady on the rise.

LONDON PEPPER PRICES

LONDON, Aug. 20 (UPA). The pepper market ruled firm during today's session of the London Produce Exchange.

White pepper rose by 1-1/4 pence to 2/4-1/2 and black pepper increased 1-1/4 to 1/7-3/4.

MEXICAN MONEY MARKET QUIET

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 20 (UPA). Trading remained quiet during today's session of the Mexican Bullion Exchange. Nuevos were quoted at 4.11 Aztecas and Hidalgos at 4.10 and silver at 1.01.

Soviet Opposition To British Stand

GROMYKO SUPPORTS EGYPTIAN DEMAND IN SECURITY COUNCIL

LAKE SUCCESS, August 21, (Reuter): Russia in the Security Council yesterday supported the Egyptian demand for immediate evacuation of British troops from Egypt and declared the Anglo-Egyptian dispute was "of a charter likely to endanger international peace."

"The Soviet delegation absolutely cannot agree with the British contention that the question is not within the jurisdiction of the Security Council," M. Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet delegate, told the Security Council.

An earlier Brazilian resolution proposing the reopening of direct negotiations between Britain and Egypt was supported by China, France, Belgium and the United States.

China's delegate, Mr. T. Tsiang, proposed that the words "nothing that the British Government have already partially withdrawn troops from Egypt and are ready to negotiate completion of evacuation" should be added to the Brazilian resolution

Mr. Tsiang said he felt that the difference between Britain and Egypt over evacuation of troops did not appear large. "Therefore, it seems to me that the first part of the Egyptian case can be settled by the two parties concerned," he said.

Stating that he hoped Egypt would soon realise her "natural" aspirations for unity of the Nile Valley, Mr. Tsiang added that he understood that individual British officials had tried to prejudice the Sudanese peoples against Union with Egypt.

"On this point and to that extent Egypt has a legitimate complaint," he said.

"The Council should ask Britain to enforce the strictest neutrality of officials in the Sudan."

Mr. Tsiang also suggested the Anglo-Egyptian Con-Dominium Agreement might be revised so that the Sudan Government Council could not prejudice the future status of the country.

"Egyptian interests in the Sudan deserve the highest consideration of this Council," he said.

"In deciding the future of the Sudan, the Sudanese people should have the fullest and freest right to self-determination.

"I cannot see how this Council could be a party to any agreement which would deprive the Sudanese of the right to self-determination," he added.

The Council adjourned until Friday when Nokrashy Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, is expected to speak.

"UNO's Prestige Affected"

LAKE SUCCESS (New York), Aug. 20 (Reuter).—M. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, said today that he considered the Russian veto which yesterday prevented the Security Council taking action in the Balkans problem had affected United Nations prestige.

He added, however, that he thought the position was no worse than it had been in the past.

M. Lie disagreed with the Soviet view that the UNO Balkan Investigating Group was now "non existent" and declared that the Group would continue to function till the Security Council formally abolished it.

M. Lie agreed, however, that if the United States wished to bring the Balkan question before the General Assembly, it must first take the matter off the Security Council Agenda, in which case the Balkan Subsidiary Group would automatically go out of existence.

NEW YORK PEPPER FUTURES CLOSE INACTIVE

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (UPA). Black pepper futures today closed inactive and unchanged on the New York market. The spot market was also quieter and unchanged. Sellers continue to hold spot offerings of Lampong black pepper at 36 cents per pound and white Muntok at 53 cents. Closing prices included: September/October 34 nom; Dec. 31 nom; January 29 nom. May/July 27 nom.

In the ready seeds market, the following were closing prices;

Black pepper 36 asked,
Whate pepper 53 asked,
Castorsed 240 nom;
Cottonseed, new crop 100 nom.
Flaxseed 6,
Linseed oil 28—30.4.
Peanuts 20-1/2 to 21-1/2

BULLION SECTION

NEW YORK, SILVER PRICE 69-1/4 CENTS

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (UPA). The price of silver on the New York market today was up 1-1/2 cents and quoted at 69-1/4 cents per ounce.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Aug. 20.

October	32.36—48
October Highest	32.90+05
October Lowest	32.33—51
December	31.89—41
January	31.74—46
March	32.69—46
May	31.31—44
July	30.48—43
Middling Spot	34.83—41

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, Aug. 20.

October	32.26—45
December	31.30—45
March	31.84—40
May	31.24+50
July	30.39—50
Middling Spot	33.95—50

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.

September	2.42-3/4 to 2.42-1/2
December	2.41
March	2.40
May	2.37 to 2.36-3/4

Calcutta High Court Meets

CALCUTTA, August 21 (A.P.I.): The High Court of West Bengal has commenced normal functioning from today following the division of Bengal.

The Chief Justice and twelve puisne judges of the High Court were greeted with shouts of "Jai Hind" "Bande Mataram" and "Mahatma Gandni ki Jai" yesterday by lawyers assembled in full court.

Addressing the court, the Chief Justice, Sir Trevor Harries, said that the attainment of independence was a great achievement. This court would hereafter be the High Court of West Bengal but it was not a new creation. It was the same old historic court as the Calcutta High Court with all its historic traditions behind it, but shorn of its jurisdiction over East Bengal.

The Chief Justice said that the only guarantee of freedom was a strong and independent judiciary. Now that a popular and democratic government was in office, the court must remain aloof and free and independent of all parties and factions and do justice to all without fear or favour.

The Advocate-General, Sir S. M. Bose, offered homage to those members of the legal profession who were associated with the freedom movement in the country and who were not with them today. He also bowed in reverence before Mahatma Gandhi and said they were proud of his achievements in the cause of Indian independence and were grateful to him for restoring normal conditions in the country at this juncture. It would be the duty of this and future generations of lawyers to maintain the best traditions of the past and uphold the ideals and principles of the constitution of the Indian Union.

The President of the Bar Association, Mr. Syed Nausher Ali, and the President of the Incorporated Law Society, Mr. Nirmal Chunder also spoke on the occasion.

IRON AND STEEL CONTROL IN PAKISTAN

KARACHI, Aug. 20. (A.P.I.): A separate Iron and Steel Controllers Organisation for the Dominion of Pakistan has been set up at Karachi with effect from August 15, 1947.

Announcing this a Press Note issued by the Pakistan Government says that all stockists and registered dealers in Pakistan should immediately submit a list showing quantities held by them of the various categories of steel to the Iron and Steel Controller, Department of Industries and Supplies, Government of Pakistan, Karachi, and they should not dispose of any of that material except against a written order or a "certificate" issued by the Iron and Steel Controller, Pakistan.

KARACHI, August 20. (A.P.I.): The Indian Sterling Balance Delegation to the United Kingdom led by Mr. Narhari Rao, Financial Secretary Government of India accompanied by M. R. K Nehru, Secretary of Finance Department, Government of India who concluded a successful agreement on Indian Sterling balances with U. K returned to Karachi from London and left for New Delhi yesterday.

New York Cotton Price Declines After Steady Opening

LONG LIQUIDATION AND INCREASED HEDGES

NEW YORK, August 20.

Prices turned progressively easier after a steady opening during today's session of the New York Cotton Exchange. Reports of additional rains in Texas and expectations that the Gulf storm may bring additional moisture in the interior of Texas dampened the buying interest. Trade, mill and Wall Street commission houses were avoiding the buying side until the crop situation is clearly defined. Most of today's business originated from New Orleans speculators and local and room traders who switched to the selling side when Tuesday's rally failed to develop any follow-up buying. The inability of the market to hold the advances strengthened the conviction that the line of least resistance is likely to be on the downside until the peak marketing season has passed although a definite setback in the crop and technical situation could bring recurring rallies. However, on the basis of the present conditions, traders are expecting that the next Government crop estimate would exceed the August figure.

Today's session opened 5-8 higher to two lower. Prices improved slightly after the opening but immediately came under the gradual pressure of liquidation and hedge selling, lacking buying support near the close. Finally the prices were 41 to 48 lower.

JULY CONSUMPTION

The Census Bureau reported that the consumption of cotton during July amounted to 677,489 bales compared to 728,271 bales during June and 729,603 bales consumed in July last year.

Meanwhile, the foreign crop news featured the Government's estimates which pointed out to lower yields in Peru and Brazil. The Department of agriculture estimated the Peruvian crop at 265,275 bales compared to 317,000 bales in the previous season. Stocks in Peruvian ports on 11th of July last, which was the middle of the picking season, was equivalent to 89,000 bales against 202,000 bales last year. The Brazilian crop was estimated at 816,000 bales but private estimates ranged down to 690,000 bales. The Department attribute the production cutback to heavy damage caused by rains and pink boll worms, a rare type of insect that destroys cotton.

Sao Paulo last year produced about 800,000 bales out of a total of 1,350,000 bales for all of Brazil, compared with an estimated total during the past season of 1,300,000 bales. About 57 percent of the Brazilian cotton was classified before the end of June as 55 percent better than last year.

Meanwhile, Alexandria trade reports said that the Egyptian Parliament had recently approved the opening of a credit line of 5,000,000 Egyptian pounds for financing cotton exports. Substantial credits are said to have been already granted to Italy, Hungary and Polland. In addition, the French economic mission was recently credited with having bought 6,500 bales and is expected to purchase further quantities this month. The reports said France plans to increase her purchases between 40,000 and 50,000 bales double the amount last year.

Dealers still recommend sales at sharp upturns on the theory that the weight of the oncoming hedge selling will make the maintenance of advances difficult.

WALL STREET MARKET BARLEY STEADY

NEW YORK, August 20.

The ticker tape was virtually idle as the market was irregularly lower for the third consecutive day. The bulk of losses rarely reached one point. Oils, soft drinks and textiles were aided by earnings and dividends while most pivotals were easier.

In the afternoon stocks fluctuated around the day's low levels in the dullest trading for cents quarterly dividend and the recommendations that a new issue of convertible debentures be offered to stockholders to provide funds for extensions, additions and improvements. Rail were also easier ignoring the estimated slight increase in total operating revenues in July over June as well as July 1946. Federal price fixing and antitrust charges against steel and rubber industries. The feeling to the belief that the Government action will be unsuccessful. The session closed barely with no change in final dealings.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

American Telephone And Telegraph	150
Anaconda Copper Mining	37
Chase National Bank	34-3/8
Sinclair Oil	18-1/4
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	51
General Electric Co.	38-3/4
General Motors	59-1/8
Ingersol Rand	118
International Nickel	29-1/8
National City Bank of New York	40
New York Central Rail Road Co.	14-3/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation	16-3/4
Texas Corporation	73-1/4
Union Carbon and Carbid.	107
U S. Smelting Refining Milling Co.	46-1/4
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	71-3/8
Western Union Telegraph	33-3/8

DOUBTS ABOUT CHINA'S NEW EXCHANGE POLICY

WASHINGTON, August 20, (U.P. A.): U. S. officials today doubted if China's new exchange policy would be of any material assistance in stimulating trade between China and the United States. They believe that it might result in some "temporary stimulation of exports from China but this effect would be overcome within a short time by the general economic chaos in China." These quarters said that prices had alarmingly risen on some commodities in China as a result of the new exchange policy adding that "such a policy obviously will not stop inflation—in fact, it may stimulate inflation."

The informants believe there would probably be a brief spurt in exports of such items as bristles, carpet wool and some luxury items such as embroidered goods which China exported before the war. However, this would be only an insignificant portion of China's trade. They pointed out that tung oil, which is one China's major exports is exported by the Government, so it does not get the advantage of the new 40,000 to one rate, but stays at 12,000 to one. They added that Chinese silk will probably face some resistance in the U. S. market as has already been encountered in the case of Japanese silk which the U.S. Government has been attempting to sell here without too much success.

CHICAGO GRAINS MARKET

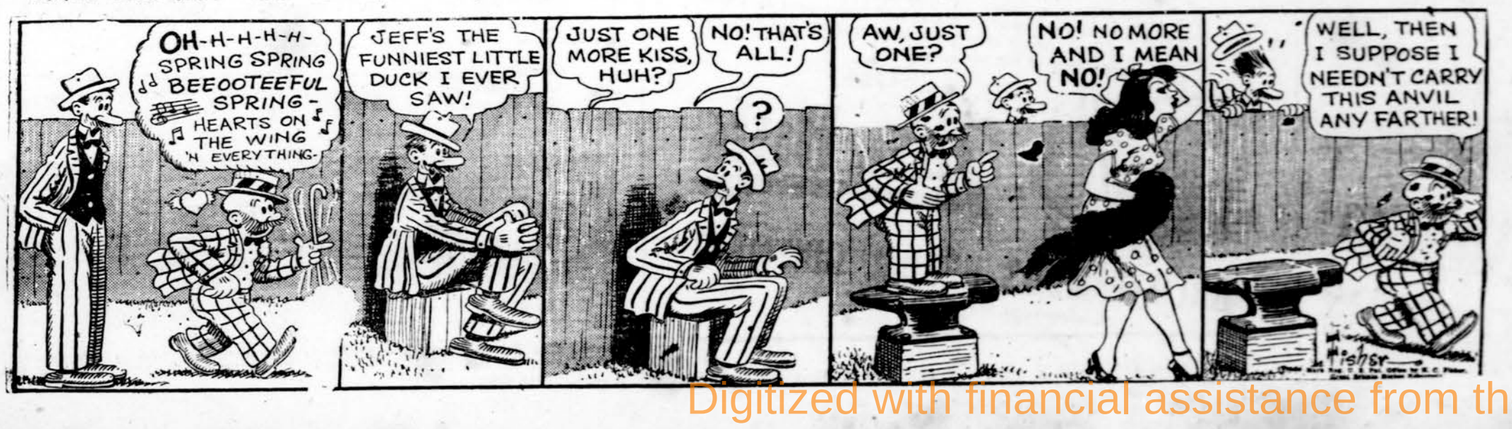
CHICAGO, August 20.

European crop complaints and the International Emergency Food Council delegates warning that famine was impending in China and India as well as further crop deterioration in the United States resulted in general buying. Maize rose on forecasts of continued heat and no important moisture while wheat reflected mill lifting hedges against flour business.

The Netherlands was already marketing for flour against her October allocation. Rye was strong with winnipeg advancing by the permissible ten cents per bushel for the second consecutive day against prospective export business. C.C.C. wheat purchases yesterday were 2,852,000 bushels in Kansascity and 220,000 in Chicago. Effective from today's opening C.C.C. bids were reduced one cent to 230 cents per bushel Kansascity and 241-1/4 in Chicago but Galveston remained unchanged at 245 cents. After the close of the futures market the C. C. C. Kansascity announced the restoration of yesterday's 231 cents per bushel bid for cash wheat.

MUTT AND JEFF—After All Maybe A Step-Ladder Would Be Lighter

By BUD FISHER



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S. R. DONGERKERY,
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(4914)

G. I. P. RLY.—TENDERS

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By order of the Board
LOYOLA PACHECO,
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Bombay, 19th August, 1947.
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